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(57) Abstract			
<p>A multivalent antigen-binding protein comprises a first polypeptide comprising, in series, three or more variable domains of an antibody heavy chain and a second polypeptide comprising, in series, three or more variable domains of an antibody light chain, said first and second polypeptides being linked by association of the respective heavy chain and light chain variable domains, each associated variable domain pair forming an antigen binding site. Methods for their production and uses thereof, in particular for therapeutic and diagnostic applications, are disclosed.</p>			

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MULTIVALENT AND MULTISPECIFIC ANTIGEN-BINDING PROTEIN

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

5 The present invention relates to multivalent and
multispecific antigen binding proteins, methods for their
production and uses thereof. In particular, the
invention relates to binding proteins comprising
polypeptides which associate to form multivalent or
10 multispecific multimers.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

15 Antibodies are protein molecules having a structure based
on a unit comprising four polypeptides, two identical
heavy chains and two identical light chains, which are
covalently linked together by disulphide bonds. Each of
these chains is folded in discrete domains. The C-
terminal regions of both heavy and light chains are
20 conserved in sequence and are called the constant
regions, comprising one or more so-called C-domains. The
N-terminal regions of the heavy and light chains, also
known as V-domains, are variable in sequence and
determine the specificity of the antibody. The regions
25 in the variable domains of the light and heavy chains (V_L
and V_H respectively) responsible for antigen binding
activity are known as the hypervariable or
complementarity determining regions (CDR). Natural
antibodies have at least two identical antigen-binding
30 sites defined by the association of the heavy and light
chain variable regions.

35 It is known that proteolytic digestion of an antibody can
lead to the production of antibody fragments. Such
fragments, or portions, of the whole antibody can exhibit
antigen binding activity. An example of a binding
fragment is an F_{ab} fragment which comprises a light chain

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associated with the V_h and C_{H1} domains of a heavy chain. The bivalent $F(ab')$, fragment comprises two such F_{ab} fragments connected together via the hinge region, giving two antigen binding sites. F_v fragments, consisting only of the V-domains of the heavy and light chains associated with each other may also be obtained. These F_v fragments are monovalent for antigen binding. Smaller fragments such as individual V-domains (domain antibodies or dABs, Ward et al *Nature*, **341**, 544 (1989) and individual CDR's (Williams et al, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., USA*, **86**, 5537 (1989)) have also been shown to retain the binding characteristics of the parent antibody although generally most naturally occurring antibodies need both a V_h and V_l to retain full immunoreactivity.

Antibody fragments comprising V_h and V_l domains associated together to have antigen binding activity have also been described. The single chain F_v fragment (scFv) comprises a V_h domain linked to a V_l domain by a flexible polypeptide linker such that the domains can associate to form an antigen binding site (see, for example, EP-B-0281604, Enzon Labs Inc).

Microbial expression systems for producing active antibody fragments are known in the literature. The production of Fab in various hosts such as *E.coli*. (Better et al, *Science*, **240**, 104, (1988)), yeast (Horwitz et al, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., US4*, **85**, 8678 (1988)) and the filamentous fungus *Trichoderma reesei* (Nyyssönen et al, *Bio/Technology*, **11**, 591 (1993)) have previously been described, for example. It is also known that plants can be used as hosts for the production of SCFv fragments (Owen et al, *Bio/Technology*, **10**, 790 (1992)) as well as whole antibodies.

An advantage of using antibody fragments rather than whole antibodies in diagnosis and therapy lies in their

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smaller size. They are likely to be less immunogenic than whole antibodies and more able to penetrate tissue. A disadvantage associated with the use of fragments such as the F_{ab} , F_v , and S_cF_v antibody fragments described above, 5 however is that they have only one binding site for antigen binding as compared to the two or more sites contained in the whole antibody, preventing polyvalent binding to the antigen and hence leading to reduced avidity.

10 In an attempt to overcome this problem, attention has been directed to providing multivalent antigen binding proteins, that is binding proteins having more than one antigen binding site. In addition, there has been 15 interest in producing antigen-binding proteins having multiple specificities capable of binding to different antigenic determinants and containing antigen binding domains derived from different sources. Antigen-binding proteins having distinct binding specificities may be 20 useful, for example, in targeting effector cells to target cells by virtue of the specific binding of the different binding domains. By way of illustration, a bispecific antigen binding protein having specificity for 25 both tumour cells and cytotoxic drugs may be used to target specifically cytotoxic drug to tumour cell in an efficient manner. By avoiding the need for chemical modification, adverse immune responses may be avoided.

Hitherto, the potential application of multivalent and 30 multispecific antigen binding proteins have been hindered by the difficulties in generating and purifying such molecules.

35 Recombinant antigen-binding proteins having two binding sites may be prepared by methods such as chemical cross-linking of cysteine residues, either through cysteine residues introduced at the C-terminus of the V_h of an F_v

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(Cumber et al, *J. Immunol.*, **149**, 120 (1992)), through the hinge cysteine residues in F_{ab} to generate (Fab^1), (Carter et al, *Bio/Tech.*, **10**, 163 (1992)) or at the C-terminus of the V_L of an scFv (Pack and Plückthun, *Biochemistry*, **31**, 1579 (1992)). Alternatively, the production of bivalent and bispecific antibody fragments based on the inclusion of F_{ab} fragments of C-terminal peptide sequences which promote dimerisation has been described. (Kostelný et al, *J. Immunol.*, **148**, 1547).

10 Bivalent or bispecific antibody fragments comprising a binding complex containing two polypeptide chains, one comprising two heavy chain variable domains (V_H) in series and the other comprising two light chain variable domains (V_L) in series are described in our pending European Patent Application No. 95307332.7.

20 Multivalent and/or multispecific antibody fragments are described in WO 94/09131 (Scotgen Limited). Specific binding proteins having two binding regions, contained at least in part on first and second polypeptide chains which chains additionally incorporate associating domains capable of binding to each other causing the polypeptide chains to combine are disclosed therein. It is disclosed that the first and second binding regions preferably are antibody antigen-binding domains, for example comprising V_H and V_L regions contained in a Fab fragment or in a single-chain Fv fragment, or may be derived from just one of the V_H or V_L regions of an antibody. The associating domains may suitably be derived from an antibody and may be *inter alia* antibody V_H and V_L regions. It is further disclosed that using a V_H/V_L domain combination to achieve association leads to the creation of a supplementary Fv domain such that the antibody produced may be trivalent. 30 Schematic representations of the arrangements suggested in WO 94/09131 to produce trivalent fragments are shown in Figure 1A.

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WO 93/11161 (Enzon Inc) describes multivalent antigen-binding proteins comprising two or more single-chain protein molecules, each single chain molecule comprising first and second polypeptides each comprising the binding 5 portion of the variable region of an antibody heavy or light chain with the polypeptides being linked together via a peptide linker. Hypothetical trimers and tetramers are discussed, comprising three or four single-chain 10 antigen binding proteins as appropriate. Schematic representations of the trivalent arrangements suggested are shown in Figure 1B.

WO 91/19739 (Celltech Limited) discloses multivalent antigen binding proteins comprising an Fv fragment bound 15 to at least one further Fv fragment by a connecting structure which links the Fv fragments together but which maintains them spaced apart such that they can bind to adjacent antigenic determinants. Conveniently the connecting structure consists of a spacing polypeptide 20 and a linkage unit such as a cross-linking maleimide linker or a molecule which allows for non-covalent binding. Particularly preferred connecting structures which are disclosed are based on antibody joining and hinge region sequences.

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

According to the present invention there is provided a multivalent antigen binding protein comprising:

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a first polypeptide comprising in series, three or more variable domains of an antibody heavy chain; and

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a second polypeptide comprising, in series, three or more variable domains of an antibody light chain,

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said first and second polypeptides being linked by association of the respective heavy chain and light chain variable domains, each associated variable domain pair forming an antigen binding site.

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As used herein, the term multivalent means more than one antigen binding site.

10 Preferably the first polypeptide comprises three variable domains of an antibody heavy chain and the second polypeptide comprises three variable domains of an antibody light chain, providing a trivalent protein.

15 It will be appreciated that the polypeptides may comprise heavy or light chains, variable domains, as appropriate, or functional equivalents thereof.

The respective heavy or light chain variable domains may suitably be linked without any intervening linker.

20 According to a preferred embodiment, however, the variable domains contained in the individual polypeptides are linked by peptide linkers. Preferably the peptide linker is flexible, allowing the variable domains to flex in relation to each other such that they can bind to 25 multiple antigenic determinants simultaneously. It will be appreciated that the binding of the linker to the individual heavy or light chain variable domains will be such that it does not affect the binding capacity of the binding site formed by the associated variable domain pair. Conveniently the peptide linker comprises from 16 to 30 19 amino acid residues. A preferred, peptide linker for heavy chain domains is (Gly,Ser),AlaGlySerAla and for the light chain domains is (Gly,Ser),Val.

35 It will be appreciated that if two or more of the associated variable domain pairs (V_H/V_L pairs) have the same antigen specificity, for example if they are derived

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from the same parent antibody or fragment thereof or from different antibodies which bind the same epitope, then a binding protein which binds more than one molecule of the same type will be produced.

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According to one embodiment, where the binding protein according to the invention comprises three antigen binding sites which are able to bind different epitopes from each other, a trivalent trispecific protein is produced.

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15 In another embodiment, where the binding protein according to the invention comprises three associated variable domain pair binding sites, two of which sites bind the same epitopes, a trivalent, bispecific protein is provided. Where all three binding sites have the same antigen specificity, a trivalent, monospecific binding protein is provided.

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The invention also provides nucleotide sequences coding for the polypeptides of the multivalent antigen binding protein according to the invention and cloning and expression vectors containing such nucleotide sequences.

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The invention further provides host cells transformed with vectors containing such nucleotide sequences and methods of producing such polypeptides by expression of the nucleotide sequences in such hosts.

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The invention further provides a process for preparing a multivalent antigen binding protein as set forth above comprising:

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- (i) transforming one or more hosts by incorporating genes encoding said first and second polypeptides;
- (ii) expressing said genes in said host or hosts;

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(iii) allowing said first and second polypeptides to combine to form the antigen binding protein.

Suitably the host or hosts may be selected from 5 prokaryotic bacteria, such as Gram-negative bacteria, for example *E.Coli*, and Gram-positive bacteria, for example *B. subtilis* or lactic acid bacteria, lower eukaryotes such as yeasts, for example belonging to the genera *Saccharomyces Kluyveromyces* or *Trichoderma*, moulds such 10 as those belonging to the genera *Aspergillus* and *Neurospora* and higher eukaryotes, such as plants, for example tobacco, and animal cells, examples of which are myeloma cells and CHO, COS cells and insect cells. A 15 particularly preferred host for use in connection with the present invention is COS (monkey kidney) cells.

Techniques for synthesising genes, incorporating them 20 into hosts and expressing genes in hosts are well known in the art and the skilled person would readily be able to put the invention into effect using common general knowledge. Proteins according to the invention may be recovered and purified using conventional techniques such as affinity chromatography, ion exchange chromatography or gel filtration chromatography.

25 The activity of the multivalent binding proteins according to the invention may conveniently be measured by standard techniques known in the art such as enzyme-linked immunosorbant assay (ELISA), radioimmune assay (RIA) or by using biosensors.

30 The multivalent antigen binding proteins of the present invention may suitably be used in diagnostics or therapy for example in targeting a tumour cell with natural killer cells and cytotoxic agent. Other uses for which 35 the multivalent binding proteins according to the invention are useful include those uses for which

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antibodies or fragments thereof are commonly used, including for immunoassays and in purification.

According to a particular preferred embodiment, multi-enzyme complexes may be assembled, at a target, for 5 example a cell surface. As an illustration, multivalent binding proteins according to the invention may be used to target cell killing enzymes such as an oxidase (for example glucose oxidase) and peroxidase (for example horseradish peroxidase) to a target species which is an 10 antigenic component of dental plaque, such as *S. sanguis* or *S. mutans*. Complexes comprising enzyme, coenzyme and target antigen may also conveniently be assembled.

Accordingly, the invention also provides compositions 15 comprising the multivalent antigen binding proteins according to the invention, conveniently in combination with a cosmetically or pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluent or excipient. Methods of treatment using the multivalent antigen binding proteins according 20 to the invention are also provided.

For use in diagnosis or therapy, the multivalent antigen 25 binding proteins according to the invention may conveniently be attached to an appropriate diagnostically or therapeutically effective agent or carrier by methods conventional in the art.

An advantage of using multivalents antigen binding 30 proteins according to the invention over multivalent binding proteins prepared by existing techniques known in the art is that the "self-assembling" association of the respective heavy and light chain variable domains to form the multivalent binding sites avoids the need for chemical coupling steps or the introduction of linking 35 residues to stabilise the multivalent constructs, thereby minimising the risk of eliciting an immune response to such molecules when the resulting multivalent binding

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proteins are used in therapy.

5 A particular advantage of molecules according to the present invention is that they may conveniently be purified straight from the supernatant using conventional purification techniques. As they are self-assembling, there is no need to purify individual subunits prior to coupling as in existing techniques.

10 The present invention may be more fully understood with reference to the following description, when read together with the accompanying drawings.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

15 Figures 1A and 1B show schematic representations of published arrangements of heavy and light chain V-domain gene fragments that have been suggested to produce trispecific or trivalent antibody fragments:

20 A) scFv1-VLa + scFv2-VHa (2 chains) WO 94/09131
B) Fab1-VLa + Fab2-VHa (4 chains) WO 94/09131
C) scFv1-VLa-CLa + scFv1-VHa-CHa (2 chains) WO 94/09131
D) Fab1-VLa-CLa + Fab2-VHa-CHa (4 chains) WO 94/09131
25 E) scFv1 + scFv2 + scFv3 (3 chains) WO 93/11161
F) VH1-VL2 + VH2-VL3 + VH3-VH1 (3 chains) WO 93/11161

Figure 2A/B shows the nucleotide sequence of the EcoRI-HindIII insert of pGOSA.E2t containing DNA encoding pelB leader-VH4715-linker-VL3418 and DNA encoding pelB leader-VL3418-linker-VH4715-hydrophil2 tag (SEQ ID No. 1).

Figure 3

35 A) shows the nucleotide sequence of the HindIII-EcoRI insert of plasmid scFv.Lys with DNA encoding pelB leader-VHLys-linker-VLLys (SEQ ID No. 2).

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B) shows the nucleotide sequence of the HindIII-EcoRI insert of plasmid scFv.4715.2t with DNA encoding pelB leader-VH4715.2t (SEQ ID No. 3).

5 **Figure 4** shows the nucleotide sequence of the genomic leader sequence of the anti-NP antibody (Jones et al, Nature, 321, 522). Exon sequences are indicated with shaded boxes. NcoI and PstI restriction sites are in bold and underlined (SEQ ID No. 4).

10 **Figure 5** gives a schematic representation of the eukaryotic expression vector pSV.51.

15 **Figure 6** gives an overview of the pUC19 double head (A) and triple head (B) constructs. The position of the oligonucleotides and the restriction sites used for assembling double and triplehead pUC constructs are indicated.

20 **Figure 7**

A) shows the origin of the VH-C-linker and VL-C-linker fragments.

25 B) gives a schematic representation of the construction of the pUC.19-triple-head vectors.

Figure 8

30 A) gives a schematic representation of the construction of the Euka.VH and Euka.VL vectors.

B) gives a schematic representation of the construction of the pSV.VH expression vectors.

35 C) gives a schematic representation of the construction of the pSV.VL expression vectors.

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Figure 9 shows the expression of the trispecific Golysan proteins on an SDS-PAGE gel containing total COS culture supernatant. Crude supernatants of COS cells transfected with pSV expression vectors were separated on SDS-PAGE gels. The proteins were transferred onto a nitrocellulose membrane and the VH3 and VL3-2t were detected using anti-VH and anti-hydrophil 2 tag specific monoclonal antibodies respectively. (A=anti-Hydro-II, B=anti-Hydro-II + anti-VH) Samples: M) Low Molecular Weight Markers, 1) pSV.K + pSV.V, 2) pSV.K + pSV.W, 3) pSV.M + pSV.V, 4) pSV.M + pSV.W.

Figure 10 shows the results of three ELISA's. Lysozyme, Glucose oxidase and *S.sanguis* binding activity was determined in crude COS supernatants by measuring 1) Lysozyme-Glucose oxidase (=LYSOX), 2) Glucose oxidase-*S.sanguis* (=GOSA) and 3) Lysozyme-*S.sanguis* (= LYSAN) bispecific binding activities.

Figure 11 shows the results of three ELISA's. Lysozyme, Glucose oxidase and *S.sanguis* binding activity of purified Golysan.A (A) and Golysan.B (B) was determined by measuring 1) Lysozyme-Glucose oxidase (=LYSOX), 2) Glucose oxidase-*S.sanguis* (=GOSA) and 3) Lysozyme-*S.sanguis* (=LYSAN) bispecific binding activities.

Figure 12 shows the nucleotide sequence of the EcoRI-HindIII insert of pUR.4124 containing DNA (see SEQ ID NO: 23) encoding V_λLys-Linker-V_λLys.

Figure 13 shows the nucleotide sequence of the HindIII-EcoRI insert of plasmid Fv.3418 (see SEQ ID NO: 24) containing DNA encoding pelB leader-V_λ3418 and pelB leader-V_λ3418.

Figure 14 shows the nucleotide sequence of the HindIII-EcoRI insert of plasmid Fv.4715-myc (see SEQ ID NO: 25)

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containing DNA encoding pelB leader-V_H4715 and pelB leader-V_L4715-Myc tag.

5 **Figure 15** shows the nucleotide sequence of the HindIII-EcoRI insert of scFv.4715-myc containing DNA (see SEQ ID NO: 26) encoding pelB leader-V_H4715-Linker-V_L4715-Myc tag.

10 **Figure 16a/b** shows the nucleotide sequence of the HindIII-EcoRI insert of pGOSA.E (see SEQ ID NO: 27) containing DNA encoding pelB leader-V_H4715-Linker-V_L3418 and pelB leader-V_L3418-Linker-V_H4715.

15 **Figure 16c** gives an overview of the oligonucleotides and their positions in pGOSA.E that can be used to replace V-domain gene fragments.

Figure 17 shows the construction of plasmid pGOSA.A.

20 **Figure 18** shows the construction of plasmid pGOSA.B.

Figure 19 shows the construction of plasmid pGOSA.C.

Figure 20 shows the construction of plasmid pGOSA.D.

25 **Figure 21** shows the construction of plasmid pGOSA.E.

Figure 22 shows the source of fragment PCR.I BstEII/SacI.

30 **Figure 23** shows the source of fragment PCR.IV XhoI/EcoRI.

Figure 24 shows the source of fragment PCR.V SalI/EcoRI.

Figure 25 shows the source of fragment PCR.III NheI/SacI.

35 **Figure 26** shows the source of fragment PCR.II SfiI/EcoRI.

Table 1 shows the nucleotide sequence of all

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oligonucleotides used in the construction of the described double and triple head constructs.

5 **Table 2** lists all pSV expression constructs described in this specification.

The following examples are provided by way of illustration only:

10 **EXAMPLES**

General Experimental

Strains, Plasmids and Media

15 All cloning steps were performed in E.Coli JM109 or E.Coli XL-1 Blue. Cultures were grown in 2xTY/Amp/Glucose medium (16g tryptone, 10g yeast extract, 5g NaCl per liter H₂O supplemented with 2% glucose and 100 μ g/ml ampicillin). Transformations were plated out on 20 SOBAG plates (20g tryptone, 5g yeast extract, 15g agar, 0.5g NaCl per liter H₂O plus 10mM MgCl₂, 2% glucose, 100 μ g/ml ampicillin). The bicistronic E.coli vectors used are derivatives of pUC19. The COS expression vector pSV.51 (LMBP strain nr 1829) was obtained from the LMBP 25 Culture collection (Laboratory of Molecular Biology University Gent). COS-1 cells (ECACC No: 88031701; African green monkey kidney cells) were obtained from the European Collection of Animal Cell Cultures (ECACC). All tissue culture reagents were from Gibco BRL (Life 30 Technologies, Paisley, UK)

DNA Manipulations

Oligonucleotides and PCR

35 The oligonucleotide primers used in the PCR reactions were synthesized on an Applied Biosystems 381A DNA Synthesiser by the phosphoramidite method. The primary structures of the oligonucleotide primers used in the

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construction of the trispecific pSV constructs (Table 2) are shown in Table 1. Reaction mixture used for amplification of DNA fragments were 10mM Tris-HCl, pH8.3, 2.5mM MgCl₂, 50mM KCl, 0.01% gelatin (w/v), 0.1% Triton X-100, 400mM of each dNTP, 5.0 units of Vent DNA polymerase (New England Biolabs), 100ng of template DNA, and 500ng of each primer (for 100 μ l reactions). Reaction conditions were: 94°C for 4 minutes, followed by 33 cycles of each 1 minute at 94°C, 1 minute at 55°C, and 1 minute 72°C.

Plasmid DNA\Vector\Insert preparation and ligation\transformation.

Plasmid DNA was prepared using the 'Qiagen P-100 and P-500 Midi/Maxi-DNA Preparation' system. Vectors and inserts were prepared by digestion of 10 μ g (for vector preparation) or 20 μ g (for insert preparation) with the specified restriction endonucleases under appropriate conditions (buffers and temperatures as specified by suppliers). Klenow fill-in reactions and dephosphorylation with Calf Intestine Phosphorylase were performed according to the manufacturers instructions. Vector DNA's and inserts were separated through agarose gel electrophoresis and purified with DEAE-membranes NA45 (Schleicher & Schnell) as described by Maniatis et al. (Molecular cloning: a Laboratory manual, Cold Spring Harbour, N.Y. (1982)) Ligations were performed in 20 μ l volumes containing 30mM Tris-HCl pH7.8, 10mM MgCl₂, 10mM DTT, 1mM ATP, 300-400ng vector DNA, 100-200ng insert DNA and 1 Weiss unit T₄ DNA ligase. After ligation for 2-4 h at room temperature, CaCl₂ competent *E. coli* JM109 or XL-1 Blue (Maniatis et al) were transformed using 7.5 μ l ligation reaction. The transformation mixtures were plated onto SOBAG plates and grown overnight at 37°C. Correct clones were identified by restriction analysis and verified by automated dideoxy sequencing (Applied Biosystems).

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Restriction digestion of PCR products

Following amplification each reaction was checked for the presence of a band of the appropriate size by agarose gel electrophoresis. One or two 100 μ L PCR reaction mixtures 5 of each of the PCR reactions, together containing approximately 2-4 μ g DNA product were subjected to phenol-chloroform extraction, chloroform extraction and ethanol precipitation. The DNA pellets were washed twice with 70% ethanol and allowed to dry. Next, the PCR products 10 were digested overnight (18 h) in 200 μ L 1xBuffer with excess of the appropriate restriction enzyme.

Transformation of COS Cells

Cos-1 cells were maintained in DMEM culture medium with 15 glutamine (2mM), Penicillin (100U/mL), streptomycin (100 μ g/mL) containing 10% F.C.S. For transient transfection assays 1-3 x10⁵ COS-1 cells were seeded in 3 cm-diameter tissue culture dishes (2mL). The cells were 20 incubated at 37°C in a CO₂ incubator until cells were 50-80% confluent (overnight). For each transfection the following mixes were prepared: A) 1 μ g of each of the specified DNA's in 100 μ L Opti-MEM-I Reduced Serum Medium, B) 1 μ L LipofectAmine in 100 μ L Opti-MEM-I Reduced Serum Medium. Mixes A and B were combined (gently). After 25 allowing the DNA-liposome complexes to form for 30-45 minutes at room temperature, 0.8mL Opti-MEM-I Reduced Serum Medium was added to each lipid DNA complex containing tube. The COS-1 cells were washed once with 2mL of Opti-MEM-I Reduced Serum Medium and overlayed with 30 the diluted complex solution. The COS-1 cells were incubated for 5 hr at 37°C. Following incubation, 2mL growth medium was added. 20 hours following transfection the medium was replaced with 2mL fresh growth medium containing 0.1mM Na-butyrate. After 48 hours incubation 35 at 37°C the supernatant was harvested and assayed for the presence of antibody fragments.

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ELISA

A) GOSA: Glucose Oxidase and *S. sanguis* binding activity

5 96 well ELISA plates (Greiner HC plates) were activated overnight at 37°C with 200 μ l/well of a 1/10 dilution of an overnight culture of *Streptococcus sanguis* cells in 0.05M sodium carbonate buffer pH9.5 was used to sensitise each well. Following one wash with PBST, the antigen sensitised plates were pre-blocked for 1 hour at 37°C 10 with 200 μ l/well blocking buffer (1% BSA, 0.15% Tween in PBS). 50 μ l COS culture supernatants (neat or diluted with PBS) plus 50 μ l blocking buffer containing glucose oxidase (50 μ g/ml) was added to the *Streptococcus Sanguis* sensitised plate and incubated for 2 hours at 37°C. 15 Following 4 washes with PBS-T, bound glucose oxidase was detected by adding 100 μ l substrate to each well (70mM Na-citrate, 320mM Na-phosphate, 27mg/ml glucose, 0.5 μ g/ml HRP, 100 μ g/ml TMB). The colour reaction was stopped after 1 hour by the addition of 35 μ l 2M HCl and the A450 20 was measured.

B) LYSOX: Lysozyme and Glucose Oxidase binding activity

25 96 well ELISA plates (Greiner HC plates) were activated overnight at 37°C with lysozyme (50 μ g/mL in 0.05M sodium carbonate buffer pH9.5; 200 μ l/well). Following one wash with PBST, the antigen sensitised plates were pre-blocked for 1 hour at 37°C with 200 μ l/well blocking buffer (1% BSA, 0.15% Tween in PBS). 50 μ l COS culture supernatants (neat or diluted with PBS) plus 50 μ l blocking buffer 30 containing glucose oxidase (50 μ g/ml) was added to the *Streptococcus Sanguis* sensitised plate and incubated for 2 hours at 37°C. Following 4 washes with PBS-T, bound glucose oxidase was detected by adding 100 μ l substrate to each well (70mM Na-citrate, 320mM Na-phosphate, 27mg/ml glucose, 0.5 μ g/ml HRP, 100 μ g/ml TMB). The colour 35 reaction was stopped after 1 hour by the addition of 35 μ l 2M HCl and the A450 was measured.

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C) LYSAN: S.sanguis and Lysozyme binding activity

96 well ELISA plates (Greiner HC plates) were activated overnight at 37°C with 200µl/well of a 1/10 dilution of an overnight culture of *Streptococcus sanguis* cells in 5 0.05M sodium carbonate buffer pH9.5 was used to sensitise each well. Following one wash with PBST, the antigen sensitised plates were pre-blocked for 1 hour at 37°C with 200µl/well blocking buffer (1% BSA, 0.15% Tween in PBS). 50µl COS culture supernatants (neat or diluted 10 with PBS) plus 50µl blocking buffer was added to the *Streptococcus Sanguis* sensitised plate and incubated for 2 hours at 37°C. Following 4 washes with PBS-T, 50µL blocking buffer containing Alkaline-Phosphatase conjugated Lysozyme (100µ/mL). Unbound Lysozyme was 15 removed by 4 washes with PBS-T. Bound Lysozyme was detected by adding 100µL substrate solution to each well (1mg/ml pNPP in 1M diethanolamine, 1mM MgCl₂). After 1 hour the A405 was measured.

20 EXAMPLE 1: Construction of the pSV.Golysan expression vectors

The construction of the pSV COS expression vectors consisted of three stages:

25 1A): Assembly of 2 heavy chain variable domains and 2 light chain variable domains in a pUC based E.Coli expression vector thus constructing the VH_A-VH_B and VL_A-VL_B modules respectively.

30 1B): Assembly of 3 heavy chain variable domains and 3 light chain variable domains in a pUC based E.Coli expression vector thus constructing the VH_A-VH_B-VH_C and VL_A-VL_B-VL_C modules respectively.

35 2) Linking the VH_A-VH_B, VH_A-VH_B-VH_C and VL_A-VL_B, VL_A-VL_B-VL_C to the genomic anti-NP leader sequence in the

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intermediate "EUKA" vectors to ensure efficient secretion by COS cells.

3) Inserting the leader-VH_A-VH_B, leader-VH_A-VH_B-VH_C and 5 leader-VL_A-VL_B, leader-VL_A-VL_B-VL_C as XbaI/XbaI fragments downstream of the SV40 promoter in the COS expression vector pSV.51.

ad.1) E.coli expression vectors.

10 The E.coli expression vectors are derivatives of pUC.19 containing a HindIII-EcoRI fragment that in the case of the scFv.lys-myc contains a pelB signal sequence fused to the 5' end of the heavy chain V-domain that is directly linked to the corresponding light chain V-domain of the 15 antibody through a connecting sequence that codes for a flexible peptide (Gly,Ser), thus generating a single-chain molecule. In the 'double head' expression vector both the heavy chain and the light chain V-domains of the antibody are preceded by a ribosome binding site and a 20 pelB signal sequence in an artificial dicistronic operon under the control of a single inducible promoter. Expression of these constructs is driven by the inducible lacZ promoter. The nucleotide sequence of the HindIII-EcoRI inserts of the scFv.lys-myc, scFv.4715.2t and 25 pGOSA.E2t constructs used for the generation of the trispecific antibody fragments are listed in Figures 3 and 2 respectively.

ad.1A) Assembly of bi-specific fragments or double heads.

30 The construct pGOSA.E2t (Figures 2 and 6A) is derived from the E.coli expression construct pGOSA.E. The construction of pGOSA.E has been described in detail in preparation 1 below.

35 In contrast with pGOSA.E, pGOSA.E2t contains a peptide tag at the C-terminus of the Variable light chain. Using oligonucleotides DBL3 and DBL.4 the VL4715 gene fragment

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was amplified using scFv.4715.2t as a template. The SalI/BamHI VH4715.2t PCR fragment and the Hydrophil-2 tag containing BamHI/EcoRI fragment from scFv.4715.2t (Figure 3B) were used to replace the SalI/EcoRI VH4715 fragment 5 in pGOSA.E thus producing pGOSA.E2t.

The vector pGOSA.E2t and the oligonucleotides in Table 1 have been designed to enable most specificities to be cloned into the pGOSA.E2t construct (Figure 6A). The 10 upstream V_h domain can be replaced by any PstI-BstEII V_h gene fragment obtained with oligonucleotides PCR.51 and PCR.89. The oligonucleotides DBL.1 and DBL.2 were designed to introduce SfiI and NheI restriction sites in the V_h gene fragments thus allowing cloning of those V_h 15 gene fragments into the SfiI-NheI sites as the downstream V_h domain. Using this approach the following VH_A - VH_B combinations were constructed: VH4715-VH3418, VH4715-VHlys, VH3418-VHlys, VHlys-VH3418.

20 All V_L gene fragments obtained with oligonucleotides PCR.116 and PCR.90 can be cloned into the position of the 3418 V_L gene fragment as a SacI-XhoI fragment. A complication here however is the presence of an internal 25 SacI site in the 3418 V_L gene fragment. Oligonucleotides DBL.3 and DBL.4 are designed to allow cloning of V_L gene fragments into the position of the 4715 V_L gene fragment as a SalI-BamHI fragment. A complication here however is the presence of an internal BamHI site in the hydrophil-2-tag gene fragment (2t). Using this approach the 30 following VL_A - VL_B combinations were constructed: VL3418-VL4715.2t, VLlys-VL4715.2t and VLlys-VL3418.2t.

ad.1B) Assembly of tri-specific fragments or triple heads.

35 Amplification of the VH-linker fragments using either scFv (VH-linker-VL) or bi-specific constructs (VH-linker-VH) as template with the primer combination DBL.1/DBL.5

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(Figure 7A) yields one of the building blocks for the construction of the VH_A-VH_B-VH_C modules. The VH-linker DBL.1/DBL.5 PCR fragment is digested with SfiI and inserted into the SfiI site that is present between the 5 linker sequence and the downstream VH domain in all bi-specific constructs (Figure 7B) thus producing a VH_A-VH_B-VH_C module. Using this approach the following VH_A-VH_B-VH_C combinations were constructed for this filing: VH4715-
VHlys-VH3418 and VHlys-VH4715-VH3418.

10 Using a bi-specific construct (VL-linker-VL) as the template in an amplification reaction with the primer combination DBL.3/DBL.6 (Figure 7A) yields the VL-linker building block for the construction of the VL_A-VL_B-VL_C 15 modules. The VL-linker DBL.3/DBL.6 PCR fragment is digested with SalI and inserted into the SalI site that is present between the linker sequence and the downstream VL domain in all bi-specific constructs (Figure 7B) thus producing a VL_A-VL_B-VL_C module. Using this approach the 20 following VL_A-VL_B-VL_C combinations were constructed: VLlys-VL4715-VL3418.2t and VL3418-VLlys-VL4715.2t.

25 A schematic representation of the final tri-specific constructs is shown in Figure 6B.

25 ***ad.2) Linking the variable region domains to the leader sequence.***

The HindIII/EcoRI polylinker of pUC19 was replaced with a 30 synthetic EcoRI/HindIII 'Euka' polylinker. This was achieved by annealing and inserting the synthetic oligonucleotides Euka.1 and Euka.2 (Table 1) into EcoRI/HindIII digested pUC19 vector. The resulting Euka.pUC vector contains all restriction sites needed for the subcloning of the leader sequence and the VH and VL 35 domains. The NcoI/PstI genomic anti-NP leader sequence fragment was cloned into the NcoI/PstI digested Euka.pUC vector yielding the Euka.VH construct (Figure 8A).

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Oligonucleotides ML.1 and ML.2 (Table 1) were used in an amplification reaction to introduce a SacI site at the 3' end of the leader sequence that allows the construction of leader-VL fusions. The NcoI/SacI leader sequence PCR 5 fragment was inserted into NcoI/SacI digested Euka.pUC vector yielding the Euka.VL construct (Figure 8A).

The VH_A-VH_B and VH_A-VH_B-VH_C modules were excised from the 10 pUC expression vectors as PstI/NheI fragments and inserted into PstI/NheI digested Euka.VH vector (Figure 8B). Using this approach the following leader-VH_A-VH_B and leader-VH_A-VH_B-VH_C combinations were constructed for this filing: Euka.B: leader-VH4715-VH3418, Euka.D: leader-VH4715-VHlys, Euka.G: leader-VH3418-VHlys, Euka.K: 15 leader-VH4715-VHlys-VH3418 and Euka.M: leader-VHlys-VH4715-VH3418.

The VL_A-VL_B and VL_A-VL_B-VL_C modules were excised from the 20 pUC expression vectors as EcoRI-Klenow/SacI fragments and inserted into NotI-Klenow/SacI treated Euka.VL vector (Figure 8C). Using this approach the following leader-VL_A-VL_B and leader-VL_A-VL_B-VL_C combinations were constructed: Euka.N: leader-VL3418-VL4715.2t, Euka.P: 25 leader-VLlys-VL4715.2t Euka.S: leader-VLlys-VL3418.2t, Euka.V: leader-VLlys-VL4715-VL3418.2t and Euka.W: leader-VL3418-VLlys-VL4715.2t.

ad.3) Subcloning of leader-variable domain fusions into the pSV.51 expression vector

30 All leader-VH_A-VH_B, leader-VH_A-VH_B-VH_C, leader-VL_A-VL_B and leader-VL_A-VL_B-VL_C combinations were excised from the 'Euka' vectors as XbaI/XbaI fragments and subcloned downstream of the SV40 promoter in pSV.51 (Figure 5) by 35 insertion into the XbaI site (Figure 8B and 8C). After confirmation of the correct orientation of the inserts the pSV expression vectors were used to transfect COS-1 cells (see Example 2). The pSV expression vectors used

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are listed in Table 2.

Example 2: Bifunctional binding activity of Golysan triple heads

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This example describes the production of three types of bispecific binding activity by COS-1 cells transfected with expression plasmids encoding the corresponding VH_A-VH_B-VH_C and VL_A-VL_B-VL_C genes fragments.

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1. Production of antibody fragments by COS-1 cells

Supernatants of COS-1 cells transfected with combinations of pSV-VH_A-VH_B-VH_C and pSV-VL_A-VL_B-VL_C expression plasmids were separated on 10% SDS-PAGE and transferred onto

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nitrocellulose. The resulting Western blots were screened with a monoclonal antibody recognising a peptide sequence in framework 4 of the VH domains (region encoded by PCR.89: conserved in all used VH domains, {in-house reagent}) and/or a monoclonal specific for the hydrophil-2 tag. As shown in Figure 9 all supernatants contained products with the expected molecular weight of the VH_A-VH_B-VH_C and VL_A-VL_B-VL_C fragments, indicating that the COS cells were successfully transfected and were secreting the produced antibody fragments into the culture medium at detectable levels.

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2. Bifunctional binding activity

Supernatants of COS-1 cells transfected with single pSV expression plasmids and combinations of pSV expression plasmids were tested for the production of bifunctional binding activity using ELISA format:

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* Supernatants of COS-1 cells transfected with the bispecific positive controls 'LYSAN' (pSV.D + pSV.P), 'LYSOX' (pSV.G + pSV.S) and 'GOSA' (pSV.B + pSV.N) only produced LYSAN, LYSOX and GOSA bispecific activity respectively (Figure 10). No significant cross

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reactivity was detected.

5 * Supernatants of COS-1 cells transfected with only one expression vector encoding either one of the VH_A-VH_B-VH_C fragments (pSV.K and pSV.M) or one of the VL_A-VL_B-VL_C fragments (pSV.V and pSV.W) did not exhibit any bispecific binding activity, indicating that no background binding or a specific binding activity is produced.

10 * All tested supernatants of COS-1 cells transfected with an expression vector encoding one of the VH_A-VH_B-VH_C fragments (pSV.K and pSV.M) and an expression vector encoding one of the VL_A-VL_B-VL_C fragments (pSV.V and pSV.W) showed significant levels of all three bifunctional binding activities LYSOX, GOSA and LYSAN.

20 These results show that COS cells transfected with expression vectors encoding VH_A-VH_B-VH_C and expression vectors encoding VL_A-VL_B-VL_C fragments produce and secrete molecules that contain three binding activities. In this example those three activities are: Glucose Oxidase binding, S.sanguis binding and Lysozyme binding. Furthermore, the results illustrated in Figure 10 clearly 25 show that at least two of these binding activity are present in one self assembling molecular complex. In this example those combinations are: GOSA (Glucose Oxidase + S.sanguis), LYSOX (Lysozyme + Glucose Oxidase) and LYSAN (Lysozyme + S.sanguis).

30 **Example 3: Trifunctional binding activity of Golysan triple heads**

35 This example describes experiments that show that the three types of bispecific binding activity that are produced by COS-1 cells transfected with expression plasmids encoding the corresponding VH_A-VH_B-VH_C and VL_A-

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VL_b-VL_c genes fragments are present in one self assembling molecular complex.

5 Golysan.A (VHlys-VH4715-VH3418 + VLlys-VL4715-VL3418.2t) and Golysan.B (VHlys-VH4715-VH3418 + VL3418-VLlys-VL4715.2t) was purified by affinity chromatography. 100ml supernatant of COS-1 cells transfected with expression plasmids pSV.M/pSV.V (Golysan.A) or pSV.M/pSV.W (Golysan.B) were loaded onto a Lysozyme-Sepharose column (CNBr-Sepharose, Pharmacia; column was prepared according to the manufacturer's instructions). After extensive washes with PBS the bound Golysan antibody fragments were eluted in 0.1M glycine buffer at pH=2.2. The fractions were neutralised with Tris and 15 tested for the presence of trispecific binding activity.

20 As shown in Figure 11 no bispecific binding activity was detect in the column fall-through. All three bispecific binding activities (GOSA, LYSOX and LYSAN) were extracted from the COS-1 supernatant by passing over the Lysozyme affinity matrix. After acid elution all three bispecific binding activities (GOSA, LYSOX and LYSAN) were recovered from the column. Since both Golysan.A and B were affinity purified based on the ability to bind to 25 Lysozyme, the finding that these molecules also bind S.sanguis and Glucose Oxidase shows that all three binding activities are present in one self assembling molecular complex.

30 **Preparation 1.**
 Construction of the pGOSA.E double head expression vector

35 In the pGOSA expression vectors, the DNA fragments encoding both the V_b and V_c of the antibody are preceded by a ribosome binding site and a DNA sequence encoding the pelB signal sequence in an artificial dicistronic operon under the control of a single inducible promoter.

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Expression of these constructs is driven by the inducible lacZ promoter. The nucleotide sequence of the *Hind*III-*Eco*RI inserts of the plasmids pUR.4124 (SEQ ID NO. 23), Fv.3418 (SEQ ID NO. 24), Fv.4715-myc (SEQ ID NO. 25) and scFv.4715-myc (SEQ ID NO. 26) constructs used for the generation of the bispecific antibody fragments are given in Figures 12-15, respectively. Moreover, a culture of *E. coli* cells harbouring plasmid scFv.4715-myc and a culture of *E. coli* cells harbouring plasmid Fv.3418 were deposited under the Budapest Treaty at the National Collection of Type Cultures (Central Public Health Laboratory) in London (United Kingdom) with deposition numbers NCTC 12916 and NCTC 12915, respectively.

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The construction of pGOSA.E (see Figure 16 for the *Hind*III-*Eco*RI insert of pUC19) involved several cloning steps. The appropriate restriction sites in the various domains were introduced by PCR directed mutagenesis using the oligonucleotides listed in Table 1 below.

The construction of pGOSA.E involved several cloning steps that produced 4 intermediate constructs pGOSA.A to pGOSA.D (see Figures 17-21). The final expression vector pGOSA.E and the oligonucleotides in Table 1 have been designed to enable most specificities to be cloned into the final pGOSA.E construct (Figure 16c). The upstream V_h domain can be replaced by any *Pst*I-*Bst*III V_h gene fragment obtained with oligonucleotides PCR.51 and PCR.89 (see Table 1). The oligonucleotides DBL.1 and DBL.2 (see Table 1) were designed to introduce *Sfi*I and *Nhe*I restriction sites in the V_h gene fragments thus allowing

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cloning of those V_{μ} gene fragments into the *SfiI-NheI* sites as the downstream V_{μ} domain. All V_{μ} gene fragments obtained with oligonucleotides PCR.116 and PCR.90 (see Table 1) can be cloned into the position of the $V_{\mu}.3418$ gene fragment as a *SacI-XhoI* fragment. A complication here however is the presence of an internal *SacI* site in the $V_{\mu}.3418$ gene fragment. Oligonucleotides DBL.3 and DBL.9 (see Table 1) are designed to allow cloning of V_{μ} gene fragments into the position of the $V_{\mu}.4715$ gene fragment as a *SacI-NotI* fragment.

pGOSA.A

This plasmid is derived from both the *Fv.4715-myc* construct (SEQ ID NO. 25) and the *scFv.4715-myc* construct (SEQ IN NO. 26). An *SfiI* restriction site was introduced between the DNA sequence encoding the (Gly,Ser), linker and the gene fragment encoding the V_{μ} of the *scFv.4715-myc* construct (see Figure 17). This was achieved by replacing the *BstEII-SacI* fragment of the latter construct by the fragment PCR-I *BstEII-SacI* (Figure 22) that contains an *SfiI* site between the DNA encoding the (Gly,Ser), linker and the $V_{\mu}.4715$ gene fragment. The introduction of the *SfiI* site also introduced 4 additional amino acids (AlaGlySerAla) between the (Gly,Ser), linker and $V_{\mu}.4715$ resulting in a (Gly,Ser),AlaGlySerAla linker (linkerA). The oligonucleotides used to produce PCR-I (DBL.5 and DBL.7, see Table 1) were designed to match the sequence of the framework-3 region of $V_{\mu}.4715$ and to prime at the junction of the DNA encoding the (Gly,Ser), linker and the $V_{\mu}.4715$ gene fragment, respectively. Thus pGOSA.A can be indicated as:

pelB-V_μ.4715-linkerA-(SfiI)-V_μ.4715-myc.

pGOSA.B

This plasmid is derived from plasmid *Fv.3418* (see Figure 18). The *XhoI-EcoRI* fragment of plasmid *Fv.3418*

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comprising the 3' end of DNA encoding framework-4 of the V_L including the stop codon was removed and replaced by the fragment PCR-IV *Xho*I/*Eco*RI (Figure 23). The oligonucleotides used to produce PCR-IV (DBL.8 and DBL.6, 5 see Table 1) were designed to match the sequence at the junction of the V_L and the (Gly,Ser)₃ linker perfectly (DBL.8), and to be able to prime at the junction of the (Gly,Ser)₃ linker and the V_H in pUR.4124 (DBL.6). DBL.6 removed the *Pst*I site in the V_H (silent mutation) and 10 introduced a *Sal*I restriction site at the junction of the (Gly,Ser)₃ linker and the V_H, thereby replacing the last Ser of the linker by a Val residue resulting in a (Gly,Ser)₃Gly,Val linker (linkerV). Thus pGOSA.B can be indicated as:

15 *pelB*-V_H3418 + *pelB*-V_L3418-linkerV-(*Sal*I-*Eco*RI).

pGOSA.C

This plasmid contains DNA encoding V_H.4715 linked by the (Gly,Ser)₃AlaGlySerAla linker to V_H.3418 (see Figure 19), 20 thus:

pelB-V_H4715-linkerA-V_H3418.

This construct was obtained by replacing the *Sfi*I-*Eco*RI fragment from pGOSA.A encoding V_L.4715 by the fragment 25 PCR-II *Sfi*I/*Eco*RI containing the V_H.3418 gene. The oligonucleotides used to produce PCR-II (DBL.1 and DBL.2, see Table 1) hybridize in the framework-1 and framework-4 region of the gene encoding V_H.3418, respectively. DBL.1 was designed to remove the *Pst*I restriction site (silent 30 mutation) and to introduce an *Sfi*I restriction site upstream of the V_H gene. DBL.2 destroys the *Bst*EEII restriction site in the framework-4 region and introduces an *Nhe*I restriction site downstream of the stopcodon.

35 **pGOSA.D**

This plasmid contains a dicistronic operon comprising the V_H.3418 gene and DNA encoding V_L.3418 linked by the

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(Gly,Ser),Gly,Val linker to V_L.4715 (see Figure 20), thus:
pelB-V_H3418 + pelB-V_L3418-linkerV-V_L4715.

5 This construct was obtained by digesting plasmid pGOSA.B with *Sall*-EcoRI and inserting the fragment PCR-V *Sall*/EcoRI (Figure 24) containing the V_L.4715 gene. The 10 oligonucleotides used to obtain PCR-V (DBL.3 and DBL.9, see Table 1) were designed to match the nucleotide sequence of the framework-1 and framework-4 regions of the V_L.4715 gene, respectively. DBL.3 removed the *SacI* site from the framework-1 region (silent mutation) and introduced a *Sall* restriction site upstream of the V_L.4715 gene. DBL.9 destroyed the *XbaI* restriction site in the framework-4 region of the V_L.4715 gene (silent mutation) 15 and introduced a *NotI* and an *EcoRI* restriction site downstream of the stop codon.

pGOSA.E

20 This plasmid contains a dicistronic operon comprising DNA encoding V_H.4715 linked by the (Gly,Ser),AlaGlySerAla linker to V_H.3418 plus DNA encoding V_L.3418 linked by the (Gly,Ser),Gly,Val linker to V_L.4715 (see Figure 21), thus:
pelB-V_H4715-linkerA-V_H3418 + pelB-V_L3418-linkerV-V_L4715.

25 Both translational units are preceded by a ribosome binding site and DNA encoding a *pelB* leader sequence. This plasmid was obtained by a three-point ligation by mixing the vector resulting from pGOSA.D after removal of the V_H.3418-encoding *PstI-SacI* insert with the *PstI-NheI* 30 pGOSA.C insert containing V_H.4715 linked to V_H.3418 and the PCR-III *NheI/SacI* fragment (see Figure 25). The remaining *PstI-SacI* pGOSA.D vector contains the 5' end of the framework-1 region of V_H.3418 upto the *PstI* restriction site and V_L.3418 linked by the 35 (Gly,Ser),Gly,Val linker to V_L.4715 starting from the *SacI* restriction site in V_L.3418. The *PstI-NheI* pGOSA.C insert contains V_H.4715 linked by the (Gly,Ser),AlaGlySerAla

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linker to V_h .3418, starting from the *Pst*I restriction site in the framework-1 region in V_h .4715. The *Nhe*I-*Sac*I PCR-III fragment provides the ribosome binding site and DNA encoding the *pelB* leader sequence for the V_L .3418-
5 (Gly,Ser),Gly,Val- V_L .4715 construct. The oligonucleotides DBL.10 and PCR.116 (see Table 1) used to generate PCR-III were designed to match the sequence upstream of the ribosome binding site of V_L .4715 in Fv.4715 and to introduce an *Nhe*I restriction site (DBL.10), and to match
10 the framework-4 region of V_L .3418 (PCR.116).

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GTAAATCAGA GGAAC TACTT GACCTGGTAC CAGCAGAACG CAGGGCAGCC TCCTAAACTG	1500
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TCTGGAACAG ATTCACTCT CACCATCAGC AGTGTGCGAG CTGAAGACCT GGCAGTTAT	1620
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AATTC	1745

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 2:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 894 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 2:

AAGCTTGCAT GCAAATTCTA TTCAAGGAG ACAGTCATAA TGAAATACCT ATTGCCTACG	60
GCAGCGCTG GATTGTTATT ACTCGCTGCC CAACCAGCGA TGGCCCAAGGT GCAGCTGCAG	120
GAGTCAGGAC CTGGCTGGT GGCGCCCTCA CAGAGCCTGT CCATCACATG CACCGTCTCA	180
GGGTTCTCAT TAACCGGCTA TGGGTAAAC TGGGTTGCC AGCCTCCAGG AAAGGGTCTG	240
GAGTGGCTGG GAATGATTG GGGTGTGGA AACACAGACT ATAATTCAAC TCTCAAATCC	300
AGACTGAGCA TCAGCAAGGA CAACTCCAAG AGCCAAGTT TCTAAAAAT GAACAGTCTG	360
CACACTGATG ACACAGCCAG GTACTACTGT GCCAGAGAGA GAGATTATAG CCTTGACTAC	420
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TCTGGCGGTG CGGGATCGGA CATCGAGCTC ACCCAGTCTC CAGCCTCCCT TTCTGCGTCT	540
GTGGGAGAAA CTGTCACCAT CACATGTGCA GCAAGTGGGA ATATTACAA TTATTTAGCA	600

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TGGTATCAGC AGAACACAGG AAAATCTCCT CAGCTCCTGG TCTATTATAAC AACAAACCTTA	660
GCAGATGGTG TGCCATCAAG GTTCAGTGGC AGTGGATCAG GAACACAATA TTCTCTCAAG	720
ATCAACAGCC TGCAACCTGA AGATTTGGG AGTTTATTACT GTCAACATT TTGGAGTACT	780
CCTCGGACGT TCGGTGGAGG CACCAAGCTC GAGATCAAAC GGGAAACAAA ACTCATCTCA	840
GAAGAGGATC TGAATTAATA AGATCAAACG GTAATAAGGA TCCAGCTCGA ATTTC	894

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 3:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 930 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 3:

AAGCTTGCAT GCAAATTCTA TTTCAGGAG ACAGTCATAA TGAAATACCT ATTGCCTACG	60
GCAGCCGCTG GATTGTTATT ACTCGCTGCC CAACCGGCCA TGGCCCAGGT GCAGCTGCAG	120
GAGTCAGGGG GAGACTTAGT GAAGCCTGGA GGGTCCCTGA CACTCTCTG TGCAACCTCT	180
GGATTCACTT TCAGTAGTTA TGCCTTTCT TGGTCCGCC AGACCTCAGA CAAGAGTCTG	240
GAGTGGGTCG CAACCATCAG TAGTACTGAT ACTTATAACCT ATTATTCAAGA CAATGTGAAG	300
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CTGAAGTCTG AGGACACAGC CGTGTATTAC TGTGCAAGAC ATGGGTACTA TGGTAAAGGC	420
TATTTTGACT ACTGGGGCCA AGGGACCACG GTCACCGTCT CCTCAGGTGG AGGGGGTTCA	480
GGCGGGAGGTG GCTCTGGCGG TGGCGGATCG GACATCGAGC TCACTCAGTC TCCATTCTCC	540
CTGACTGTGA CAGCAGGAGA GAAGGTCACT ATGAAATTGCA AGTCCGGTCA GAGTCTGTAA	600
AACAGTGTAA ATCAGAGGAA CTACTTGACC TGGTACCGAGC AGAACGCCAGG GCAGCCTCCT	660

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AAACTGTTGA TCTACTGGGC ATCCACTAGG GAATCTGGAG TCCCTGATCG CTTCACAGCC	720
AGTGGATCTG GAACAGATTT CACTCTCACCA ATCAGCAGTG TGCGAGGTGA AGACCTGGCA	780
GTTTATTACT GTCAGAACATGA TTATACTTAT CCGTTCACGT TCGGAGGGGG GACCAAGCTC	840
GAGATCAAAC GGGGATCCGG TAGCGGAAC TCCGGTAAGG GGTACCTGAA GTAATAAGAT	900
CAACCGTAA TAAGGATCCA GCTCGAATT	930

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 4:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 156 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 4:

CCATGGGATG GAGCTGTATC ATCCTTTCT TGGTAGAAC AGCTACAGGT AAGGGGCTCA	60
CAGTAGCAGG CTTGAGGTCT GGACATATAT ATGGGTGACA ATGACATCCA CTTTGCCTT	120
CTCTCCACAG GTGTCCACTC CCAGGTCAA CTGCAG	156

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 5:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 22 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 5:

AGGTSMAMCT GCAGSAGTCW GG	22
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 6:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 32 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 6:

TGAGGAGACG GTGACCGTGG TCCCTTGGCC CC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 7:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 24 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 7:

GACATTGAGC TCACCCAGTC TCCA

24

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 8:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 22 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 8:

GTAGATCTC GAGCTTGGTC CC

22

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 9:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 45 base pairs

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- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 9:

CAGGATCCGG CCGGTTCCGG CCAAGTCCAG CTGCAACAGT CAGGA

45

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 10:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 53 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 10:

CTACATGAAAT TCGCTAGCTT ATTATGAGGA GACGGTGACG GTGGTCCCTT GGC

53

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 11:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 39 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 11:

ATTGGAGTCG ACATCGAACT CACTCAGTCT CCATTCTCC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 12:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 36 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 12:

CGAATTCTGGA TCCCCGTTTG ATTTCGAGCT TGGTCC

36

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 13:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 45 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 13:

GAGCGCGAGC TCGGCCGAAC CGGCCGATCC GCCACCGCCA GAGCC

45

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 14:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 36 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 14:

ATTGTCGAAT TCGTCGACTC CGCCACCGCC AGAGCC

36

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 15:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 57 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 15:

AGCTTCTAGA CCACCATGGA AAACTGCAGA GCTCAAAAGC TAGCGCGCG GCTCTAG 57

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 16:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 57 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 16:

AATTCTAGAG CGGCCGCCT AGCTTTGAG CTCTGCAGTT TTCCATGGTG GTCTAGA 57

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 17:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 40 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 17:

ACGGGTGAGC TCGATGTCGG AGTGGACACC TGTGGAGAGA 40

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 18:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 24 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 18:

GGAAACAGCT ATGACCATGA TTAC

24

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 19:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 25 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: other nucleic acid

(A) DESCRIPTION: /desc = "synthetic DNA"

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

(B) CLONE: primer DBL.7

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 19:

CACCATCTCC AGAGACAATG GCAAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 20:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 23 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: other nucleic acid

(A) DESCRIPTION: /desc = "synthetic DNA"

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

(B) CLONE: primer DBL.8

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 20:

ACCAAGCTCG AGATCAAACG GGG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 21:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 50 base pairs

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(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: other nucleic acid
(A) DESCRIPTION: /desc = "synthetic DNA"

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
(B) CLONE: primer DBL.9

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 21:

TGAAGTGAAT TCGGGCCCGC TTATTACCGT TTGATTCGA GCTGGTCCC

50

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 22:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 36 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: other nucleic acid
(A) DESCRIPTION: /desc = "synthetic DNA"

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
(B) CLONE: primer DBL.10

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 22:

TAATAAGCTA GCGGAGCTGC ATGCAAATTC TATTTC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 23:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 737 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: other nucleic acid
(A) DESCRIPTION: /desc = "cDNA domains with synthetic linker(s)"

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

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(B) CLONE: EcoRI-HindIII insert of pUR4124

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION:11..730
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "VLLys-GS-VHlys"

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: mat_peptide
- (B) LOCATION:11..334
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "VLLys"

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: misc_RNA
- (B) LOCATION:335..379
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "(Gly4Ser)3 linker"

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: mat_peptide
- (B) LOCATION:380..727
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "VHlys"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 23:

GAATTCCGCC GAC ATC GAG CTC ACC CAG TCT CCA GCC TCC CTT TCT GCG	49
Asp Ile Glu Leu Thr Gln Ser Pro Ala Ser Leu Ser Ala	
1 5 10	
TCT GTG GGA GAA ACT GTC ACC ATC ACA TGT CGA GCA AGT GGG AAT ATT	97
Ser Val Gly Glu Thr Val Thr Ile Thr Cys Arg Ala Ser Gly Asn Ile	
15 20 25	
CAC AAT TAT TTA GCA TGG TAT CAG CAG AAA CAG GGA AAA TCT CCT CAG	145
His Asn Tyr Leu Ala Trp Tyr Gln Gln Lys Gln Gly Lys Ser Pro Gln	
30 35 40 45	
CTC CTG GTC TAT TAT ACA ACA ACC TTA GCA GAT GGT GTG CCA TCA AGG	193
Leu Leu Val Tyr Tyr Thr Thr Leu Ala Asp Gly Val Pro Ser Arg	
50 55 60	
TTC AGT GGC AGT GGA TCA GGA ACA CAA TAT TCT CTC AAG ATC AAC AGC	241
Phe Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Gln Tyr Ser Leu Lys Ile Asn Ser	
65 70 75	

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CTG CAA CCT GAA GAT TTT GGG AGT TAT TAC TGT CAA CAT TTT TGG AGT	289		
Leu Gln Pro Glu Asp Phe Gly Ser Tyr Tyr Cys Gln His Phe Trp Ser			
80	85	90	
ACT CCT CGG ACG TTC GGT GGA GGG ACC AAG CTC GAG ATC AAA CGG GGT	337		
Thr Pro Arg Thr Phe Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Glu Ile Lys Arg Gly			
95	100	105	
GGA GGC GGT TCA CGC GGA GGT GGC TCT GGC GGT GGC GGA TCG CAG GTG	385		
Gly Gly Gly Ser Gly Gly Ser Gly Gly Ser Gly Gly Ser Gly Ser Gln Val			
110	115	120	125
CAG CTG CAG GAG TCA GGA CCT CGC CTG GTG GCG CCC TCA CAG AGC CTG	433		
Gln Leu Gln Glu Ser Gly Pro Gly Leu Val Ala Pro Ser Gln Ser Leu			
130	135	140	
TCC ATC ACA TGC ACC GTC TCA GGG TTC TCA TTA ACC GGC TAT GGT GTA	481		
Ser Ile Thr Cys Thr Val Ser Gly Phe Ser Leu Thr Gly Tyr Gly Val			
145	150	155	
AAC TGG GTT CGC CAG CCT CCA GGA AAG GGT CTG GAG TGG CTG GGA ATG	529		
Asn Trp Val Arg Gln Pro Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Leu Gly Met			
160	165	170	
ATT TGG GGT GAT GGA AAC ACA GAC TAT AAT TCA GCT CTC AAA TCC AGA	577		
Ile Trp Gly Asp Gly Asn Thr Asp Tyr Asn Ser Ala Leu Lys Ser Arg			
175	180	185	
CTG AGC ATC AGC AAG GAC AAC TCC AAG AGC CAA GTT TTC TTA AAA ATG	625		
Leu Ser Ile Ser Lys Asp Asn Ser Lys Ser Gln Val Phe Leu Lys Met			
190	195	200	205
AAC AGT CTG CAC ACT GAT GAC ACA GCC AGG TAC TAC TGT GCC AGA GAG	673		
Asn Ser Leu His Thr Asp Asp Thr Ala Arg Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Arg Glu			
210	215	220	
AGA GAT TAT AGG CTT GAC TAC TGG GGC CAA GGG ACC ACC ACG GTC ACC GTC	721		
Arg Asp Tyr Arg Leu Asp Tyr Trp Gly Gln Gly Thr Thr Val Thr Val			
225	230	235	
TCC TCA TGA TAAGCTT	737		
Ser Ser *			

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 24:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 920 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: other nucleic acid

- (A) DESCRIPTION: /desc = "cDNA domains with synthetic linker(s)"

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

- (B) CLONE: HindIII-EcoRI insert Fv.3418

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION:36..443
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pelB-VH3418"

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: sig_peptide
- (B) LOCATION:36..101
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pectate lyase"

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: mat_peptide
- (B) LOCATION:102..440
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "VH3418"

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION:495..884
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pelB-VL4318"

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: sig_peptide
- (B) LOCATION:495..560
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pectate lyase"

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: mat_peptide
- (B) LOCATION:561..881

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(D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "VL3418"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 24:

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Met	Lys	Tyr	Leu	Leu	Pro											
-22			-20													
ACG	GCA	GCC	GCT	GGA	TTG	TTA	CTC	GCT	GCC	CAA	CCA	GCG	ATG	GCC	101	
Thr	Ala	Ala	Ala	Gly	Leu	Leu	Leu	Ala	Ala	Gln	Pro	Ala	Met	Ala		
-15				-10				-5								
CAG	GTG	CAG	CTG	CAG	CAG	TCA	GGA	CCT	GAG	CTG	GTA	AAG	CCT	GGG	GCT	149
Gln	Val	Gln	Leu	Gln	Gln	Ser	Gly	Pro	Glu	Leu	Val	Lys	Pro	Gly	Ala	
1		5				10						15				
TCA	GTG	AAG	ATG	TCC	TGC	AAG	GCT	TCT	GGA	TAC	ACA	TTC	ACT	AGC	TAT	197
Ser	Val	Lys	Met	Ser	Cys	Lys	Ala	Ser	Gly	Tyr	Thr	Phe	Thr	Ser	Tyr	
20			25				30									
GTT	ATG	CAC	TGG	GTG	AAA	CAG	AAG	CCT	GGG	CAG	GGC	CTT	GAG	TGG	ATT	245
Val	Met	His	Trp	Val	Lys	Gln	Lys	Pro	Gly	Gln	Gly	Leu	Glu	Trp	Ile	
35			40				45									
GGA	TAT	ATT	TAT	CCT	TAC	AAT	GAT	GGT	ACT	AAG	TAC	AAT	GAG	AAG	TTC	293
Gly	Tyr	Ile	Tyr	Pro	Tyr	Asn	Asp	Gly	Thr	Lys	Tyr	Asn	Glu	Lys	Phe	
50			55			60										
AAA	GCC	AAG	GCC	ACA	CTG	ACT	TCA	GAC	AAA	TCC	TCC	AGC	ACA	GCC	TAC	341
Lys	Gly	Lys	Ala	Thr	Leu	Thr	Ser	Aep	Lys	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Ala	Tyr	
65			70			75			80							
ATG	GAG	CTC	AGC	AGC	CTG	ACC	TCT	GAG	GAC	TCT	GCG	GTC	TAT	TAC	TGT	389
Met	Glu	Leu	Ser	Ser	Leu	Thr	Ser	Glu	Asp	Ser	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr	Cys	
85			90			95										
TCA	AGA	CGC	TTT	GAC	TAC	TGG	GGC	CAA	GGG	ACC	ACG	GTC	ACC	GTC	TCC	437
Ser	Arg	Arg	Phe	Aep	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln	Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	
100			105			110										
TCA	TAA	TAAGAGCTAT	GGGAGCTTGC	ATGCAAATTC	TATTTCAAGG	AGACAGTCAT										493
Ser	*															
A	ATG	AAA	TAC	CTA	TTG	CCT	ACG	GCA	GCC	GCT	GGA	TTG	TTA	CTC		539

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Met Lys Tyr Leu Leu Pro Thr Ala Ala Ala Gly Leu Leu Leu				
-22	-20	-15	-10	
GCT GCC CAA CCA GCG ATG GCC GAC ATC GAG CTC ACC CAG TCT CCA TCT				587
Ala Ala Gln Pro Ala Met Ala Asp Ile Glu Leu Thr Gln Ser Pro Ser				
-5	1	5		
TCC ATG TAT GCA TCT CTA GGA GAG AGA ATC ACT ATC ACT TGC AAG GCG				635
Ser Met Tyr Ala Ser Leu Gly Glu Arg Ile Thr Ile Thr Cys Lys Ala				
10	15	20	25	
AGT CAG GAC ATT AAT ACC TAT TTA ACC TGG TTC CAG CAG AAA CCA GGG				683
Ser Gln Asp Ile Asn Thr Tyr Leu Thr Trp Phe Gln Gln Lys Pro Gly				
30	35	40		
AAA TCT CCC AAG ACC CTG ATC TAT CGT GCA AAC AGA TTG CTA GAT GGG				731
Lys Ser Pro Lys Thr Leu Ile Tyr Arg Ala Asn Arg Leu Leu Asp Gly				
45	50	55		
GTC CCA TCA AGG TTC AGT GGC AGT GGA TCT GGG CAA GAT TAT TCT CTC				779
Val Pro Ser Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Gln Asp Tyr Ser Leu				
60	65	70		
ACC ATC AGC AGC CTG GAC TAT GAA GAT ATG GGA ATT TAT TAT TGT CTA				827
Thr Ile Ser Ser Leu Asp Tyr Glu Asp Met Gly Ile Tyr Tyr Cys Leu				
75	80	85		
CAA TAT GAT GAG TTG TAC ACG TTC GGA GGG GGG ACC AAG CTC GAG ATC				875
Gln Tyr Asp Glu Leu Tyr Thr Phe Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Glu Ile				
90	95	100	105	
AAA CGG TAA TAATGATCAA ACGGTATAAG GATCCAGCTC GAATTC				920
Lys Arg *				

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 25:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 999 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: other nucleic acid

- (A) DESCRIPTION: /desc = "cDNA domains with synthetic linker(s)"

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(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
(B) CLONE: HindIII-EcoRI insert of Pv.4715-myc

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION:40..468
(D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pelB-VH4715"

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: sig_peptide
(B) LOCATION:40..105
(D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pectate lyase"

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: mat_peptide
(B) LOCATION:106..465
(D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "VH4715"

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION:520..963
(D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pelB-VL4715-myc"

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: sig_peptide
(B) LOCATION:520..585
(D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pectate lyase"

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(B) LOCATION:586..927
(D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "VL4715"

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(B) LOCATION:928..960
(D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "myc-tag"

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35	40	45	
GTC GCA ACC ATC AGT AGT ACT GAT ACT TAT ACC TAT TAT TCA GAC AAT	294		
Val Ala Thr Ile Ser Ser Thr Asp Thr Tyr Thr Tyr Tyr Ser Asp Asn			
50	55	60	
GTG AAG GGG CGC TTC ACC ATC TCC AGA GAC AAT GGC AAG AAC ACC CTG	342		
Val Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Gly Lys Asn Thr Leu			
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- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: other nucleic acid

- (A) DESCRIPTION: /desc = "cDNA domains with synthetic linker(s)"

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(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

(B) CLONE: HindIII-EcoRI insert of scFv.4715-myc

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: sig_peptide
- (B) LOCATION:40..105
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pectate lyase"

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- (A) NAME/KEY: mat_peptide
- (B) LOCATION:106..465
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "VH4715"

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- (A) NAME/KEY: misc_RNA
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- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "(Gly4Ser)3-linker"

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20 25 30	
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Tyr Ala Phe Ser Trp Val Arg Gln Thr Ser Asp Lys Ser Leu Glu Trp	
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- (A) LENGTH: 1706 base pairs
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- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: other nucleic acid

- (A) DESCRIPTION: /desc = "cDNA domains with synthetic linker(s)"

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

- (B) CLONE: HindIII-EcoRI insert of pGOSA.E

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- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:/product= "pectate lyase"

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- (B) LOCATION:466..522
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Ala Gln Val Gln Leu Gln Glu Ser Gly Gly Asp Leu Val Lys Pro Gly	
1 5 10 15	
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Gly Ser Leu Thr Leu Ser Cys Ala Thr Ser Gly Phe Thr Phe Ser Ser	
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Val Lys Gln Lys Pro Gly Gln Gly Leu Glu Trp Ile Gly Tyr Ile Tyr			
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CLAIMS

1. A multivalent antigen binding protein comprising:
 - 5 a first polypeptide comprising, in series, three or more variable domains of an antibody heavy chain; and
 - 10 a second polypeptide comprising, in series, three or more variable domains of an antibody light chain,
 - 15 said first and second polypeptides being linked by association of the respective heavy chain and light chain variable domains, each associated variable domain pair forming an antigen binding site.
2. A protein according to Claim 1 comprising a trivalent antigen binding protein.
3. A protein according to Claim 1 or Claim 2 wherein 20 the variable domains of the antibody heavy chain of said first polypeptide are linked by a peptide linker and the variable domains of the antibody light chain of said second polypeptide are linked by a peptide linker.
4. A protein according to any one of Claims 1 to 3 25 wherein the associated variable domain pair binding sites are able to bind different epitopes from each other.
5. A protein according to any one of Claims 1 to 3 30 wherein the associated variable domain pair binding sites are able to bind the same epitope as each other.
- 35 6. Nucleotide sequences coding for the polypeptides of the multivalent antigen binding protein of any one

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of the preceding claims.

7. Nucleotide sequences according to Claim 6 contained in one or more expression vectors.

5 8. A host cell transformed with a vector according to Claim 7, and capable of expression of the nucleotide sequences to produce the polypeptides of the multivalent antigen binding protein.

10 9. A host cell according to Claim 8 wherein the polypeptides on expression associate to form the multivalent antigen binding protein.

15 10. A process for preparing a multivalent antigen binding protein according to any one of Claims 1 to 5 comprising

20 (i) transforming one or more hosts by incorporating genes encoding said first and second polypeptides;

(ii) expressing said genes and said host or hosts; and

(iii) allowing said first and second polypeptides to associate to form the protein.

25 11. A protein according to any one of Claims 1 to 5 for use in medicine.

30 12. A diagnostic or therapeutic composition comprising a protein according to any one of Claims 1 to 5.

13. Use of composition according to Claim 12 in the preparation of an agent for use in diagnosis or therapy.

35 14. A method of diagnosis or therapy comprising administering a protein according to any one of

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Claims 1 to 5.

15. Use of a protein according to any one of Claims 1 to 5 in an immunoassay method or for purification.

Fig.1A.

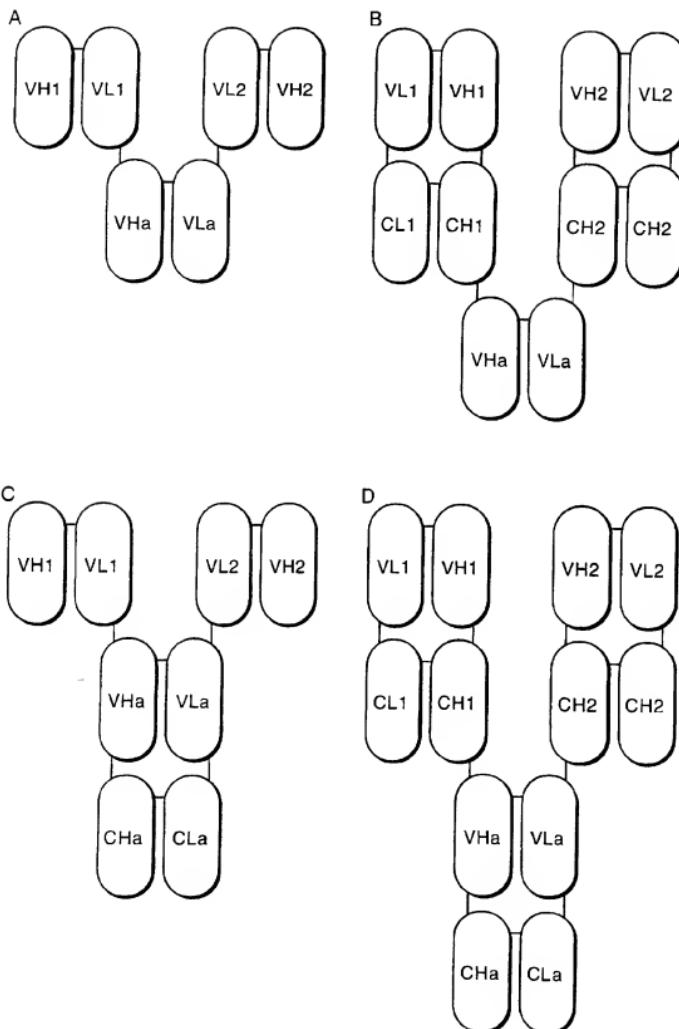
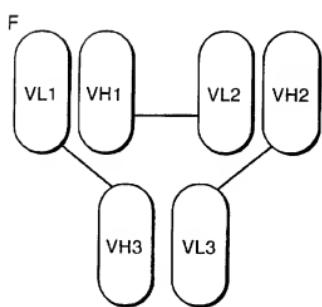
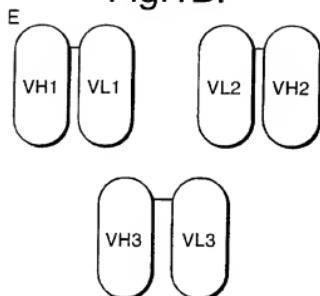


Fig. 1B.



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Fig.2A.

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Fig.2B.

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Fig.3A.

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Fig.3B.

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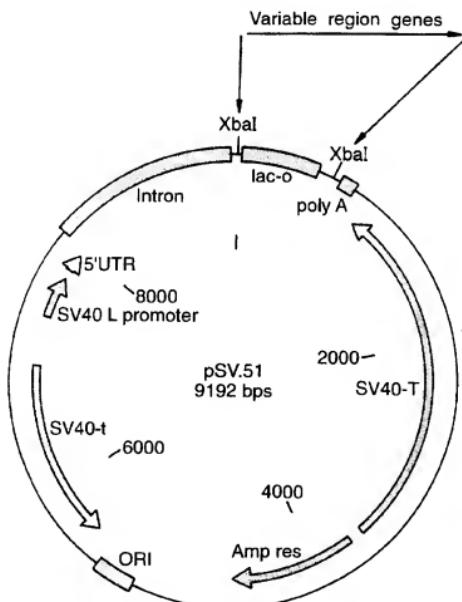
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EXON 2

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Fig.6A.

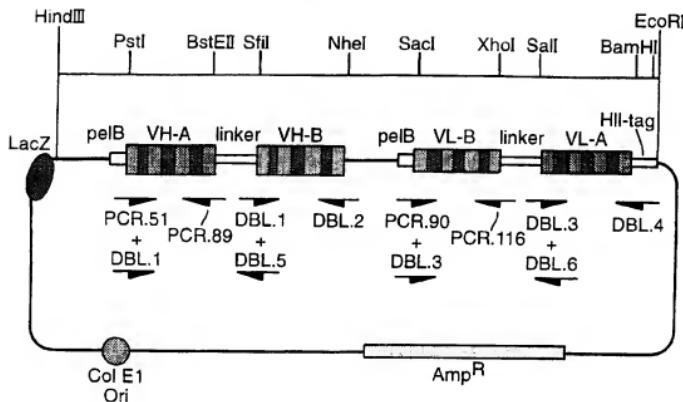
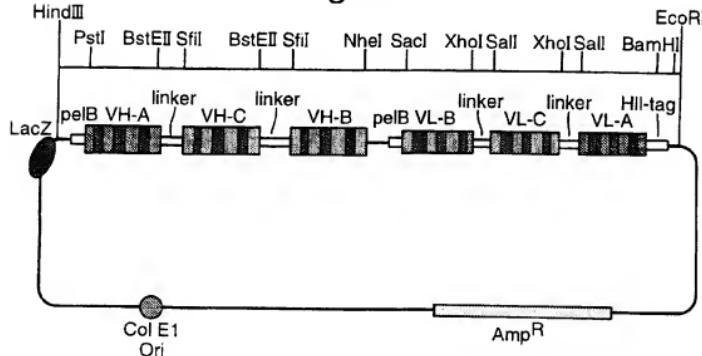
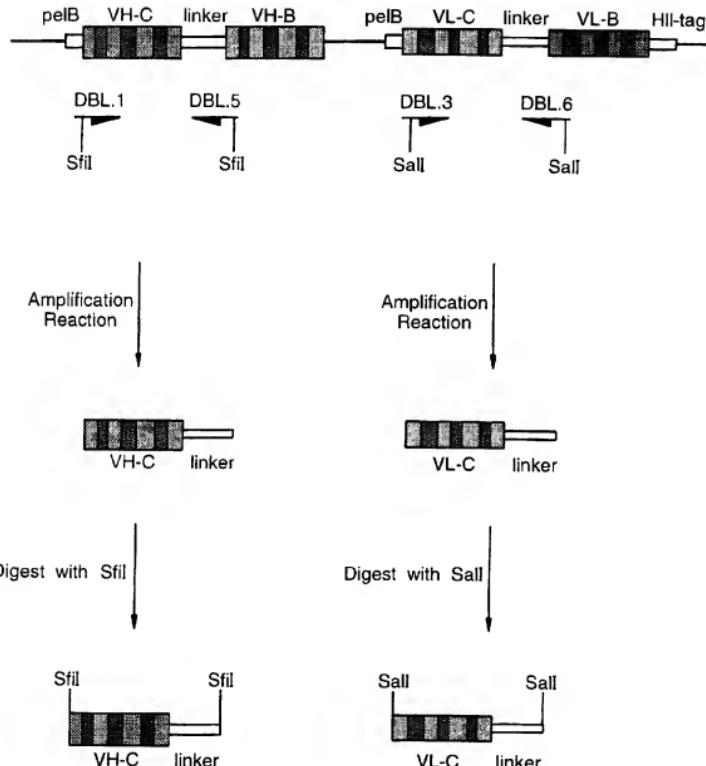


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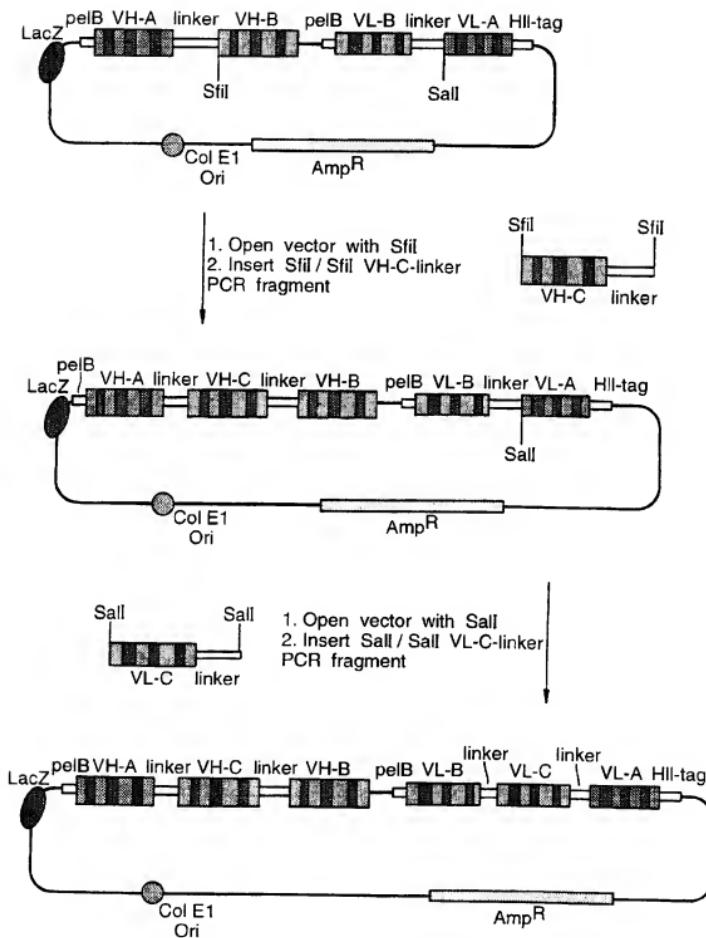
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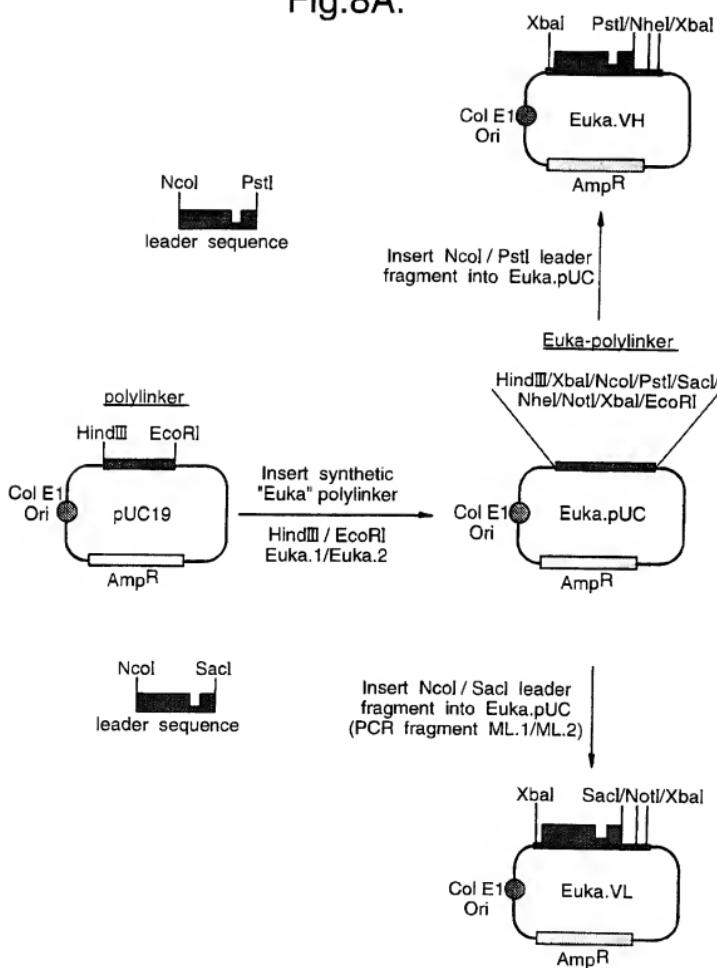
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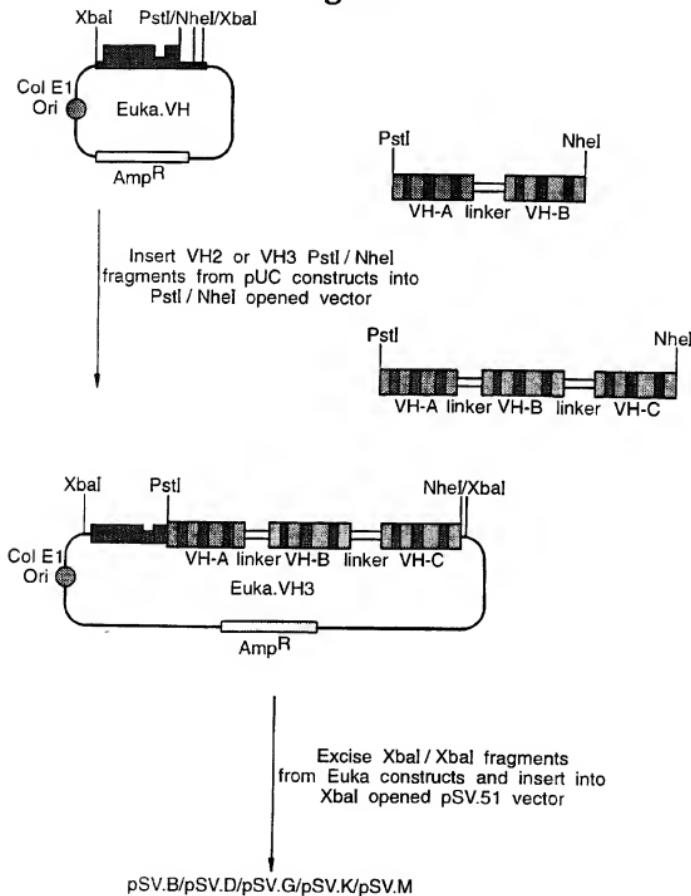
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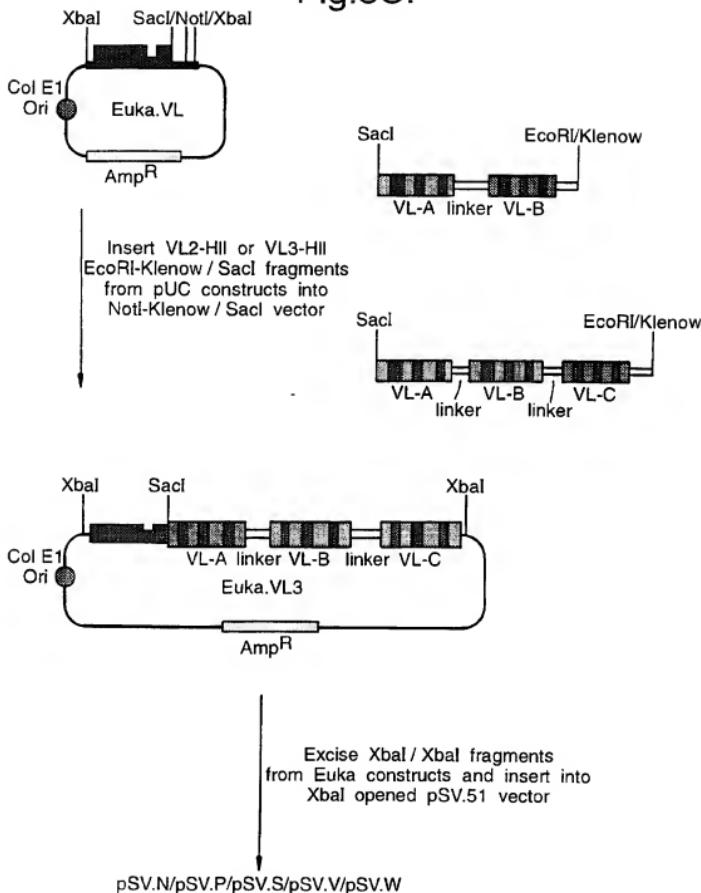
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Fig.8B.



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Fig.8C.



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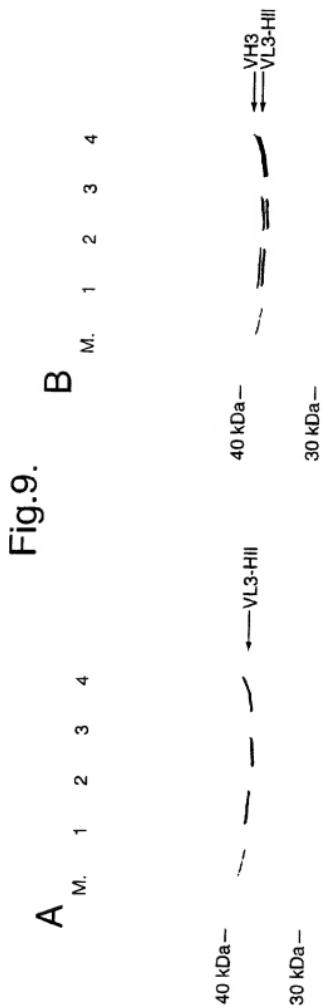
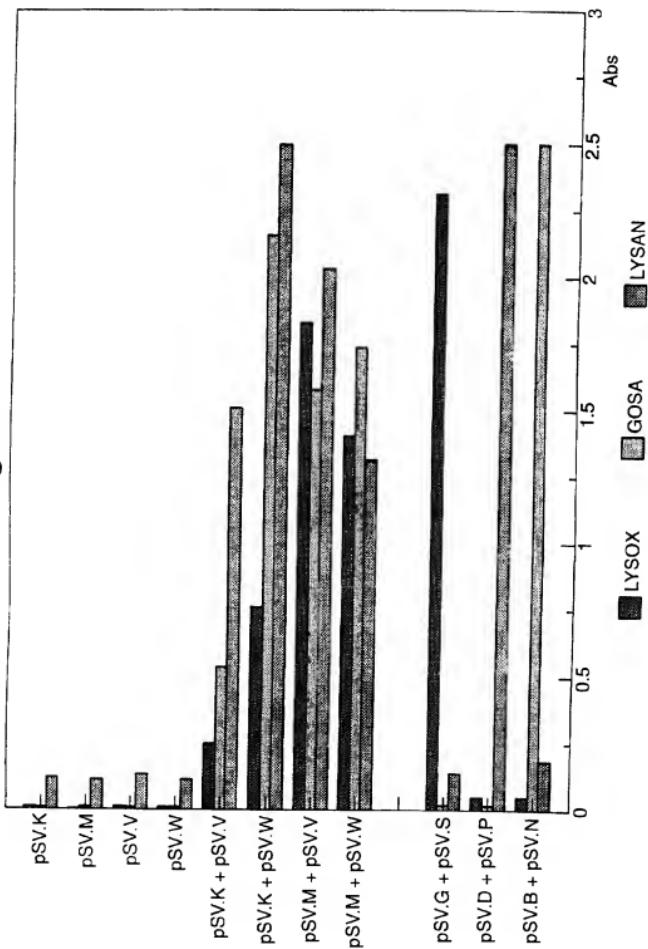


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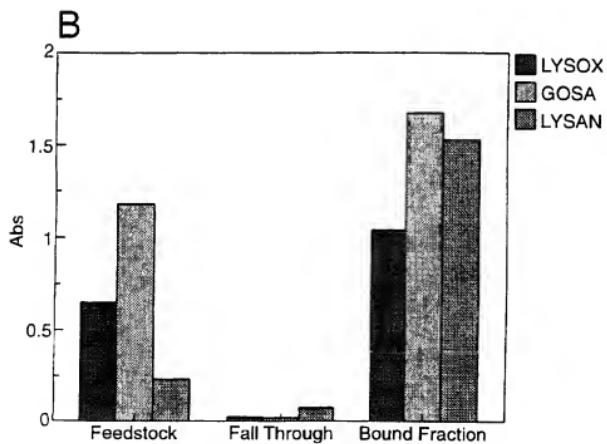
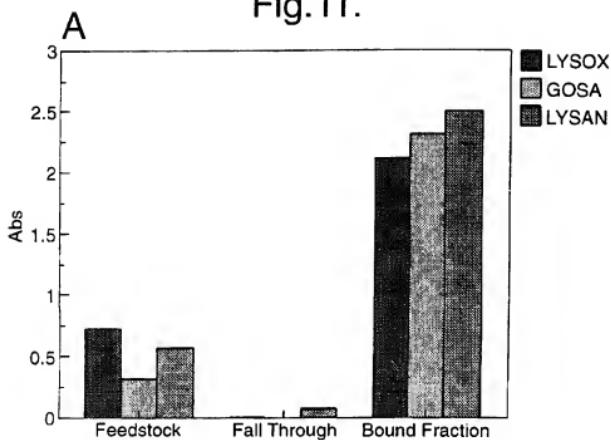
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Fig. 10.



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Fig.12.

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Fig.13.

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Fig. 14.

peIB leader

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Fig.15.

peIB
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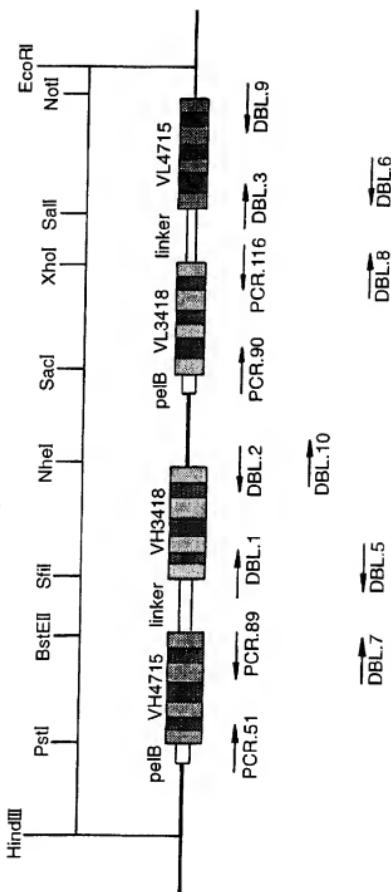
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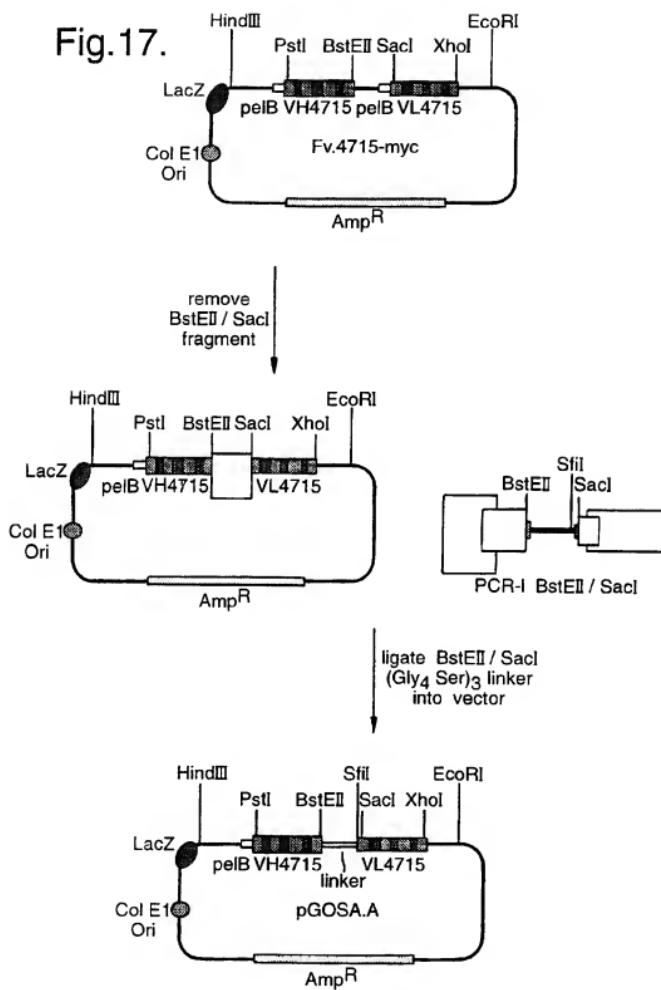
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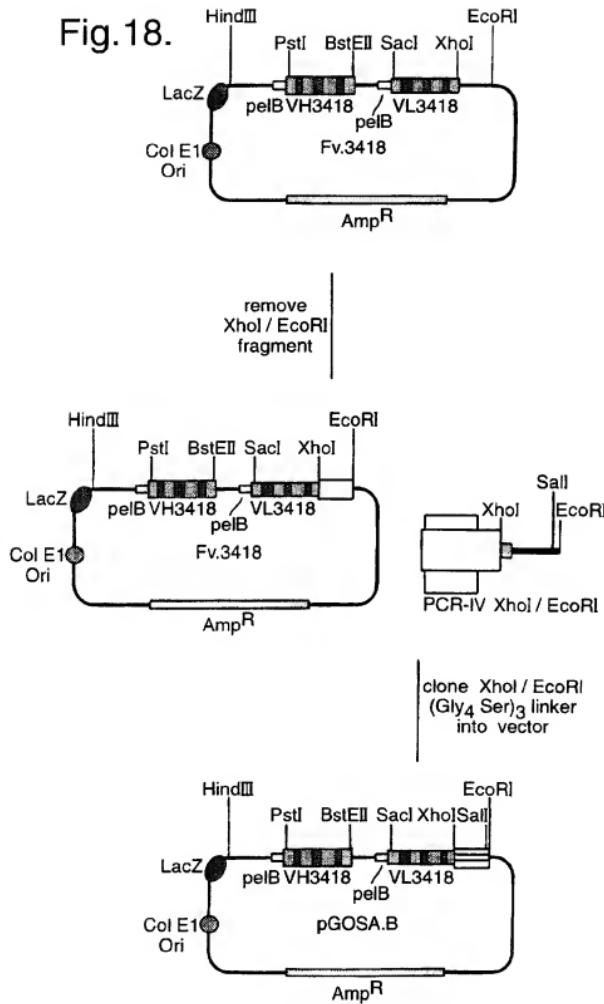
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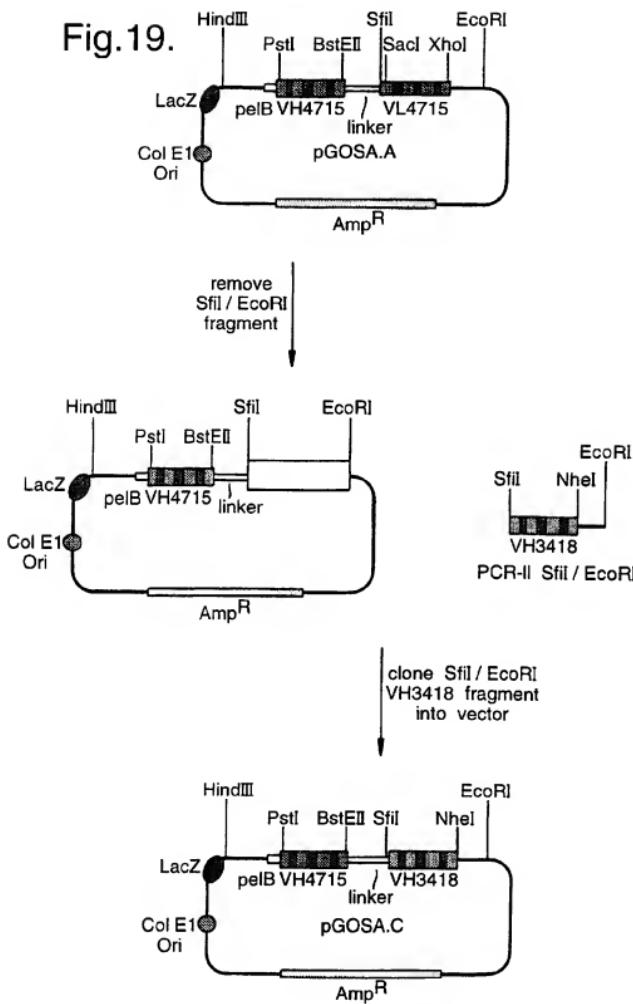
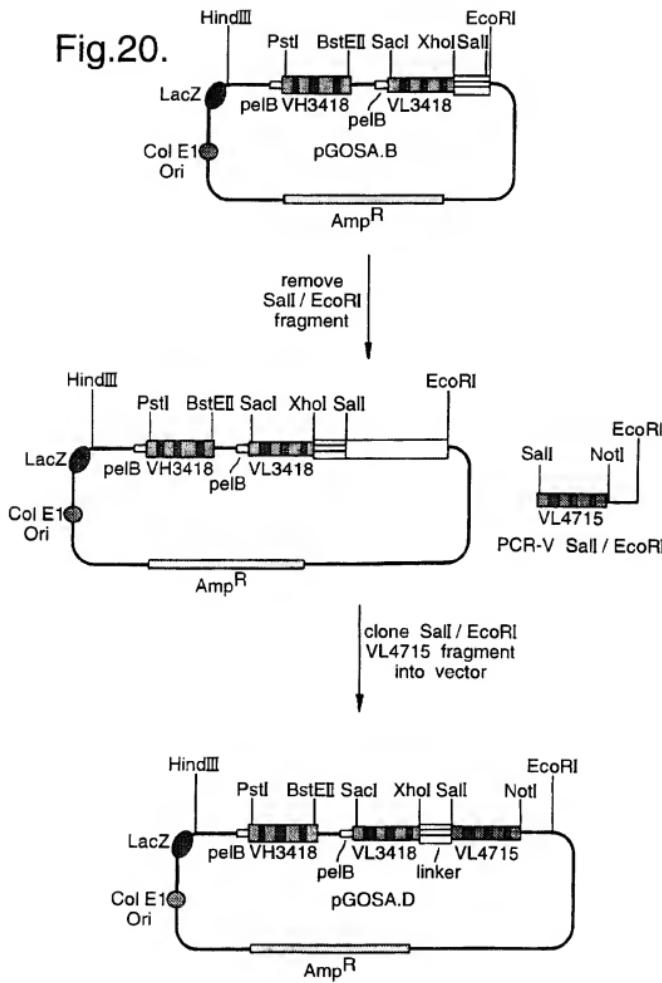
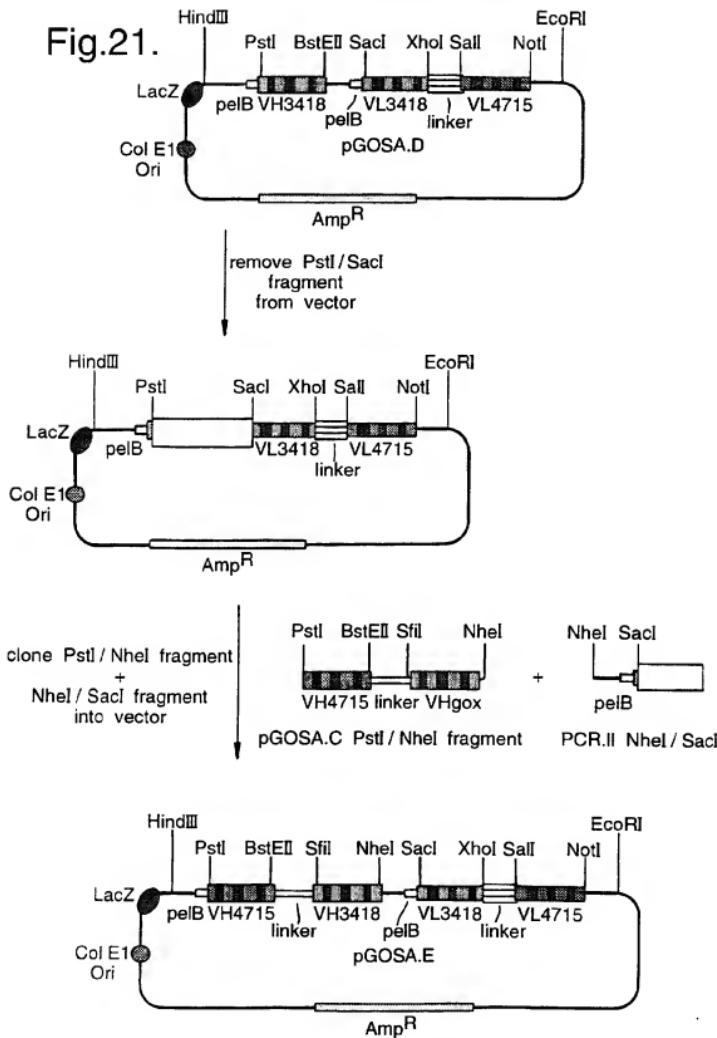


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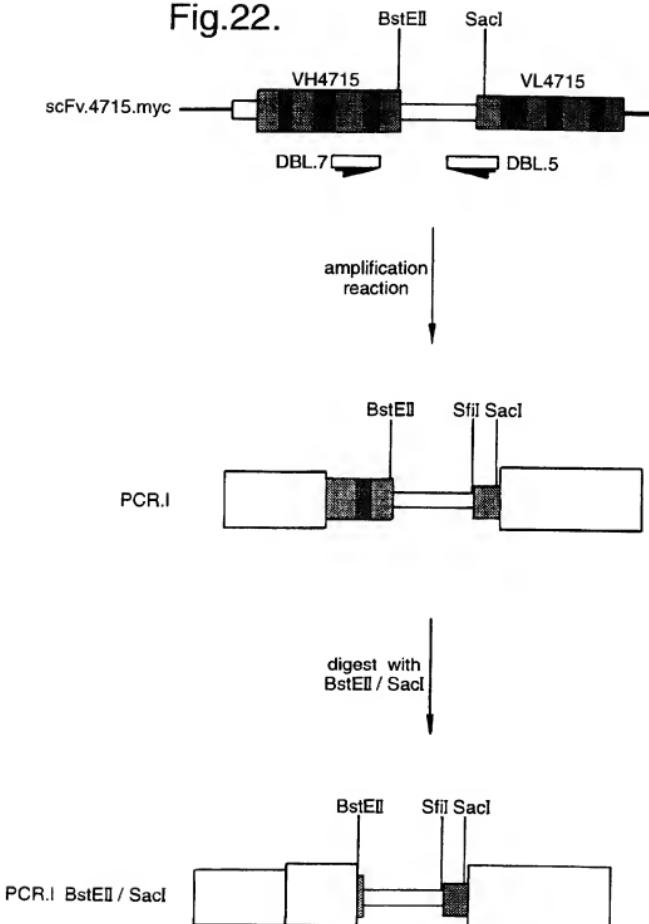
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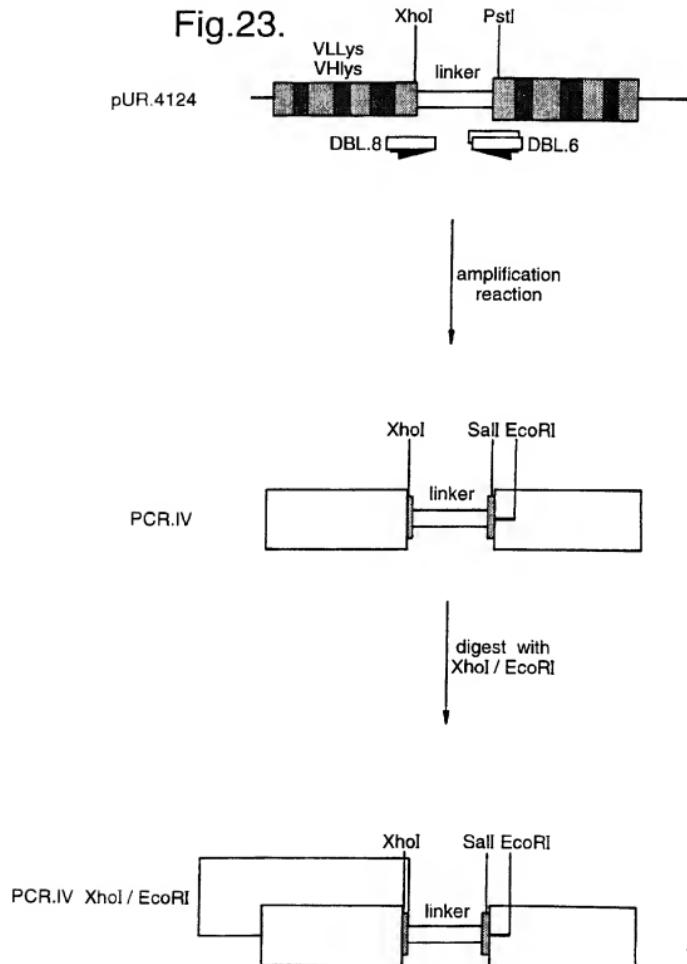
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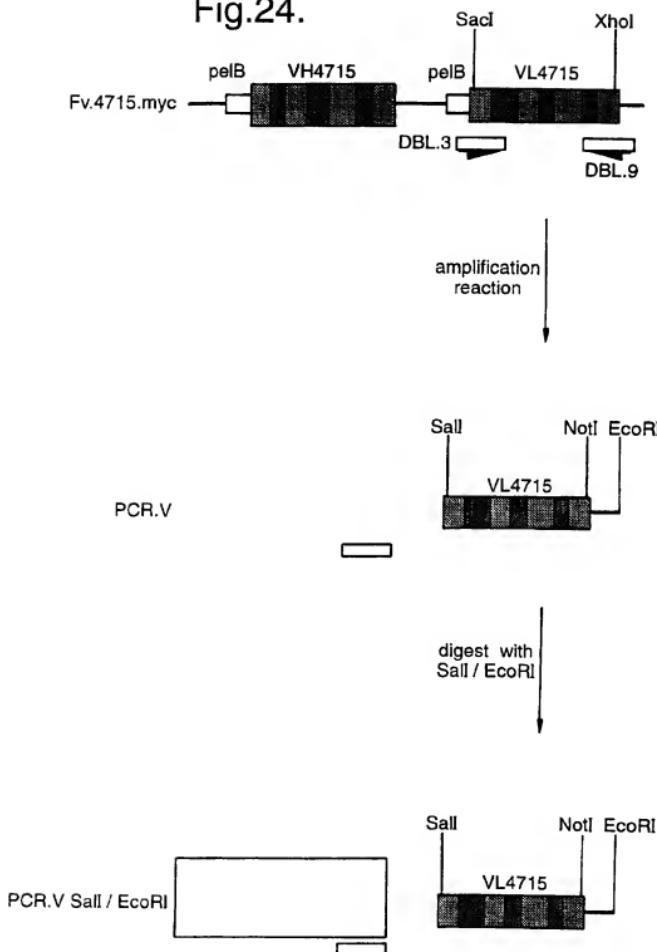
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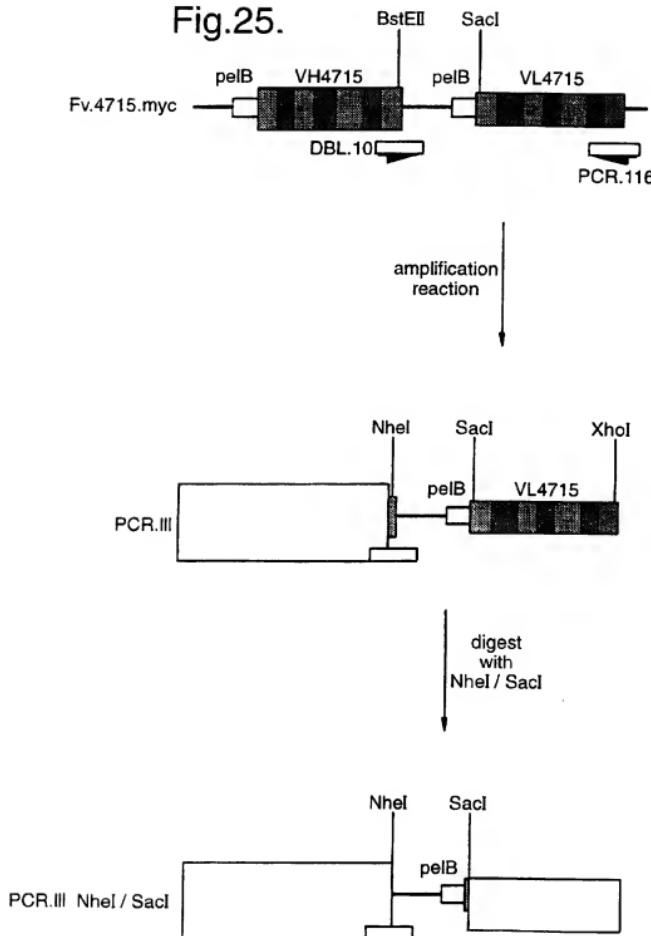
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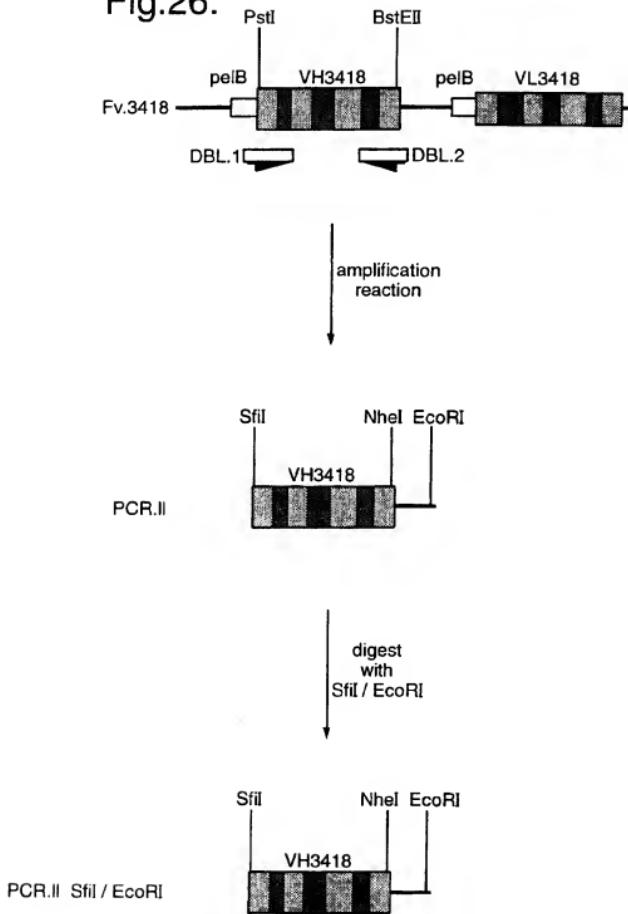
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5 PCR.51 : 5' AGG T(C/G) (A/C) A(C/A) C TGC AG(C/G) AGT C(A/T) G G
 3'
 6 PCR.89 : 5' TGA GGA GAC GGT GAC CGT GGT CCC TTG GCC CC 3'
 7 PCR.90 : 5' GAC ATT GAG CTC ACC CAG TCT CCA 3'
 8 PCR.116 : 5' GTT AGA TCT CGA GCT TGG TCC C 3'
 9 DBL.1 : 5' CAG GAT CGG GCC GGT TCG GCC CAG GTC CAG CTG CAA
 CAG TCA GGA '3
 10 DBL.2 : 5' CTA CAT GAA TTC GCT AGC TTA TTA TGA GGA GAC GGT
 GAC GGT GGT CCC TTG GC '3
 11 DBL.3 : 5' ATT GGA GTC GAC ATC GAA CTC ACT CAG TCT CCA TTC
 TCC 3'
 12 DBL.4 : 5' CGA ATT CGG ATC CCC GTT TGA TTT CGA GCT TGG TCC '3
 13 DBL.5 : 5' GAG CGC GAG CTC GGC CGA ACC GGC CGA TCC GCC ACC
 GCC AGA GCC '3
 14 DBL.6 : 5' AAT GTC GAA TTC GTC GAC TCC GCC ACC GCC AGA GCC '3
 15 Euka.1 : 5' AGC TTC TAG ACC ACC ATG GAA AAC TGC AGA GCT CAA
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 16 Euka.2 : 5' AAT TCT AGA GCG GCC GCG CTA GCT TTT GAG CTC TGC
 AGT TTT CCA TGG TGG TCT AGA '3
 17 ML.1 : 5' ACG GGT GAG CTC GAT GTC GGA GTG GAC ACC TGT GGA
 GAG A '3
 18 ML.2 : 5' GGA AAC AGC TAT GAC CAT GAT TAC '3
 19 DBL.7 : 5' CAC CAT CTC CAG AGA CAA TGG CAA G 3'
 20 DBL.8 : 5' ACC AAG CTC GAG ATC AAA CGG GG 3'
 21 DBL.9 : 5' TGA AGT GAA TTC GCG GCC GCT TAT TAC CGT TTG ATT
 TCG AGC TTG GTC CC 3'
 22 DBL.10 : 5' TAA TAA GCT AGC GGA GCT GCA TGG AAA TTC TAT TTC 3'

Table 1

Code	Expressed Antibody fragment
pSV.B	VH4715-VH3418
pSV.D	VH4715-VHlys
pSV.G	VH3418-VHlys
pSV.K	VH4715-VHlys-VH3418
pSV.M	VHlys-VH4715-VH3418
pSV.N	VL3418-VL4715.2t
pSV.P	VLlys-VL4715.2t
pSV.S	VLlys-VL3418.2t
pSV.V	VLlys-VL4715-VL3418.2t
pSV.W	VL3418-VLlys-VL4715.2t

Table 2

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